

The Future of U.S. Shale and the Role of the Independent*

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Roles for the Independent

- Evaluate low-cost, targeted operations in existing shale gas plays.
- Consider shallow-water offshore lease acquisition opportunities.
- Pioneer development of other organic-rich, tight rock plays (e.g., limestone).
- Develop international opportunities in lower political risk countries.
- Be the bridge between local, state, and federal regulators and policy makers.

Larger Trends

- The scale of energy demand is enormous.
- Oil and gas are a part of the future energy mix, and shale will play a growing role.
- Above-ground challenges are real, and rigorous operational practices are key.
- Energy security—affordable, available, reliable, sustainable—will drive the future energy mix.

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The Future of U.S. Shale & the Role of the Independent

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Outline

- **A Look Back**
- **The US Energy Mix**
- **The Global Energy Mix**
- **Forward Steps**

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The Future is Unconventional

Impact on Independent Producers



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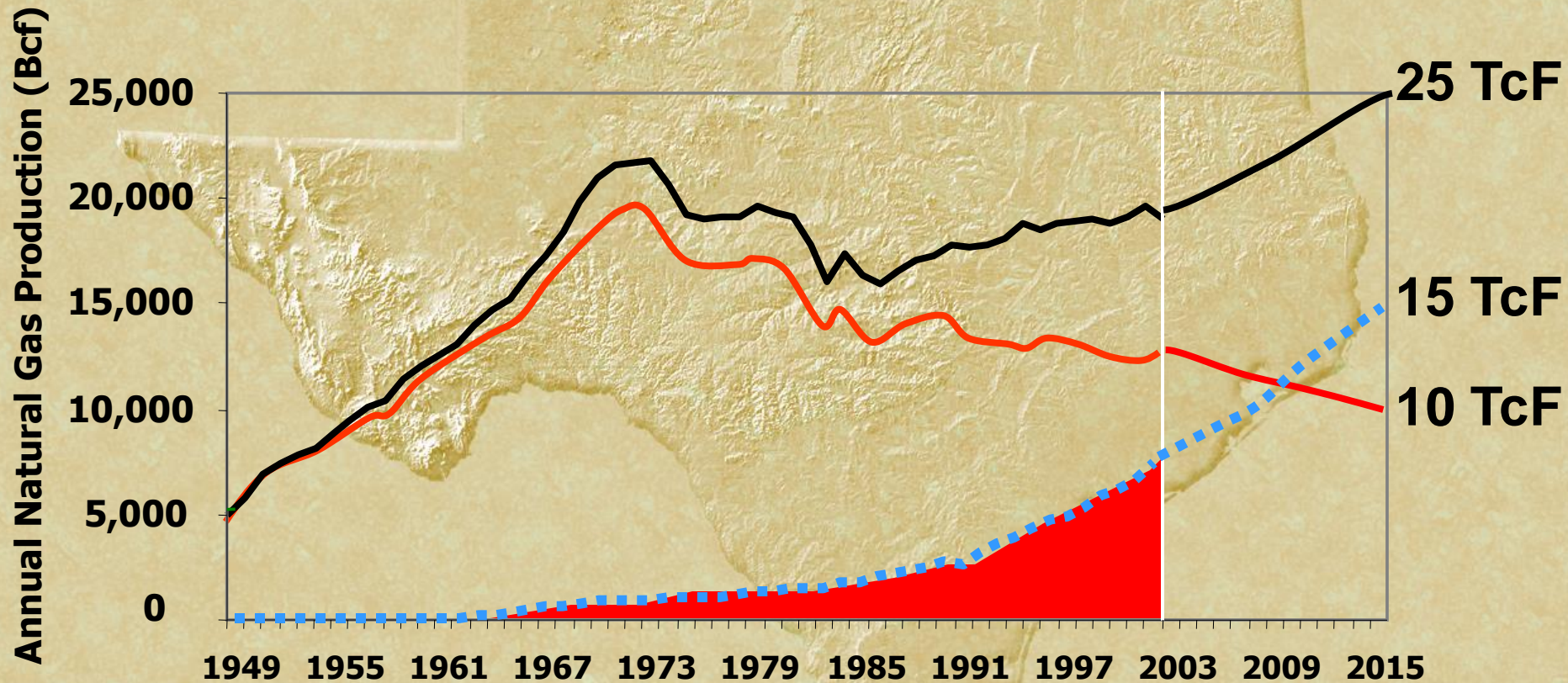
Summary (2004)

Impact on Independent Producers

- ✦ **Fossil energy will play a critical role in global energy demand for the next half century.**
- ✦ **We are within sight of a natural gas economy.**
- ✦ **US natural gas supply is critical. Unconventional gas and LNG are coming, and vital.**
- ✦ **Research and technology investment is important. The Federal government has a role to play. Speak up!**
- ✦ **Government energy policies should be made around resource and reserve estimates, not annual forecasts.**
- ✦ **The future is bright, and independent producers will be key players.**

US Natural Gas (2004 forecast)

- Total Natural Gas
- Conventional Gas
- ... Unconventional Gas



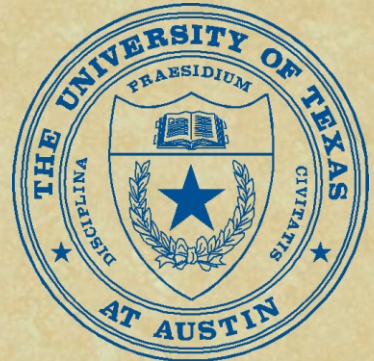
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Independents Must Think Unconventionally



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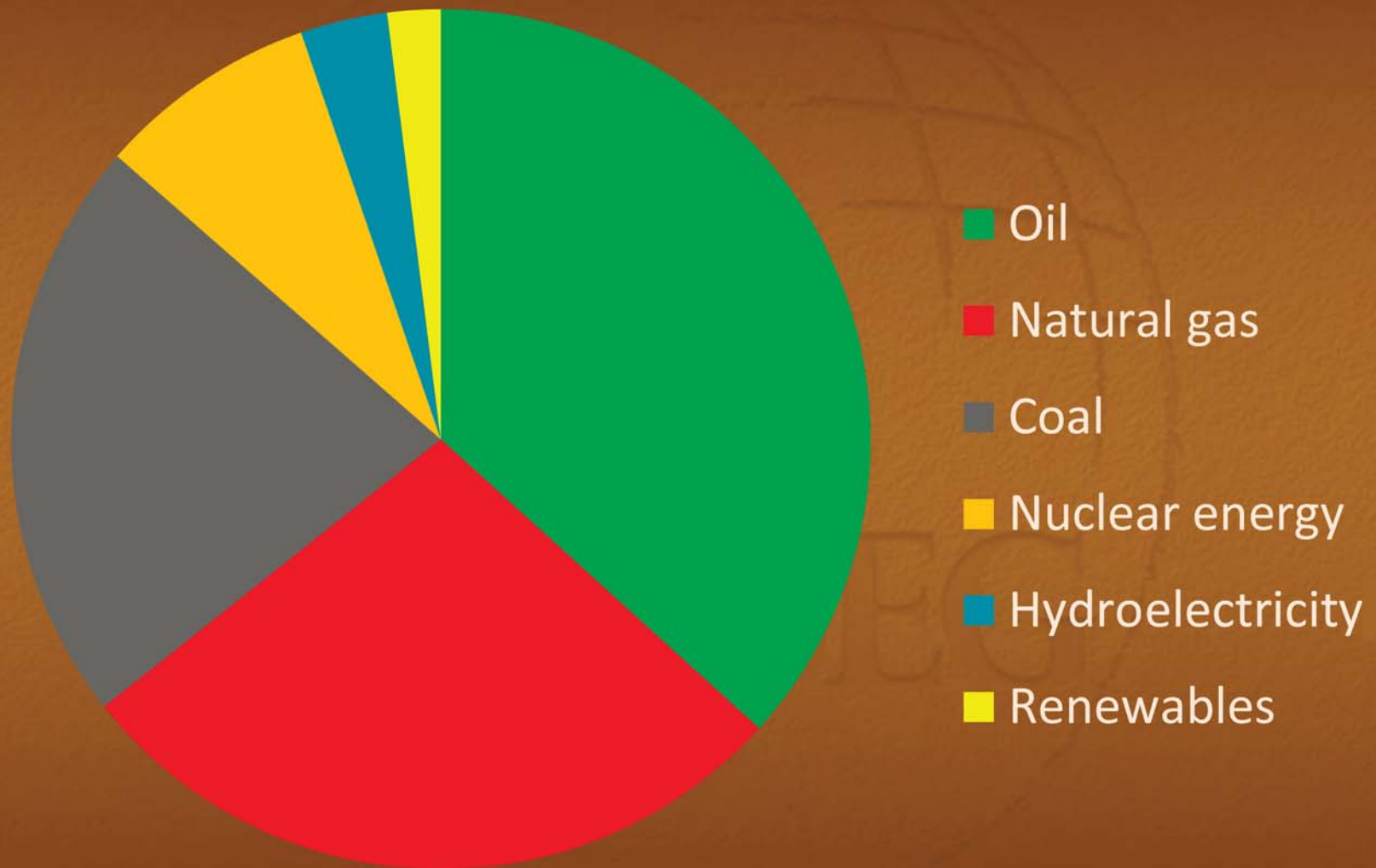
Summary (2005)

- ✦ **Global demand for fossil fuels remains high**
- ✦ **Independent producers have a key role to play**
- ✦ **Tomorrow's opportunities are visible today, if you think unconventionally**

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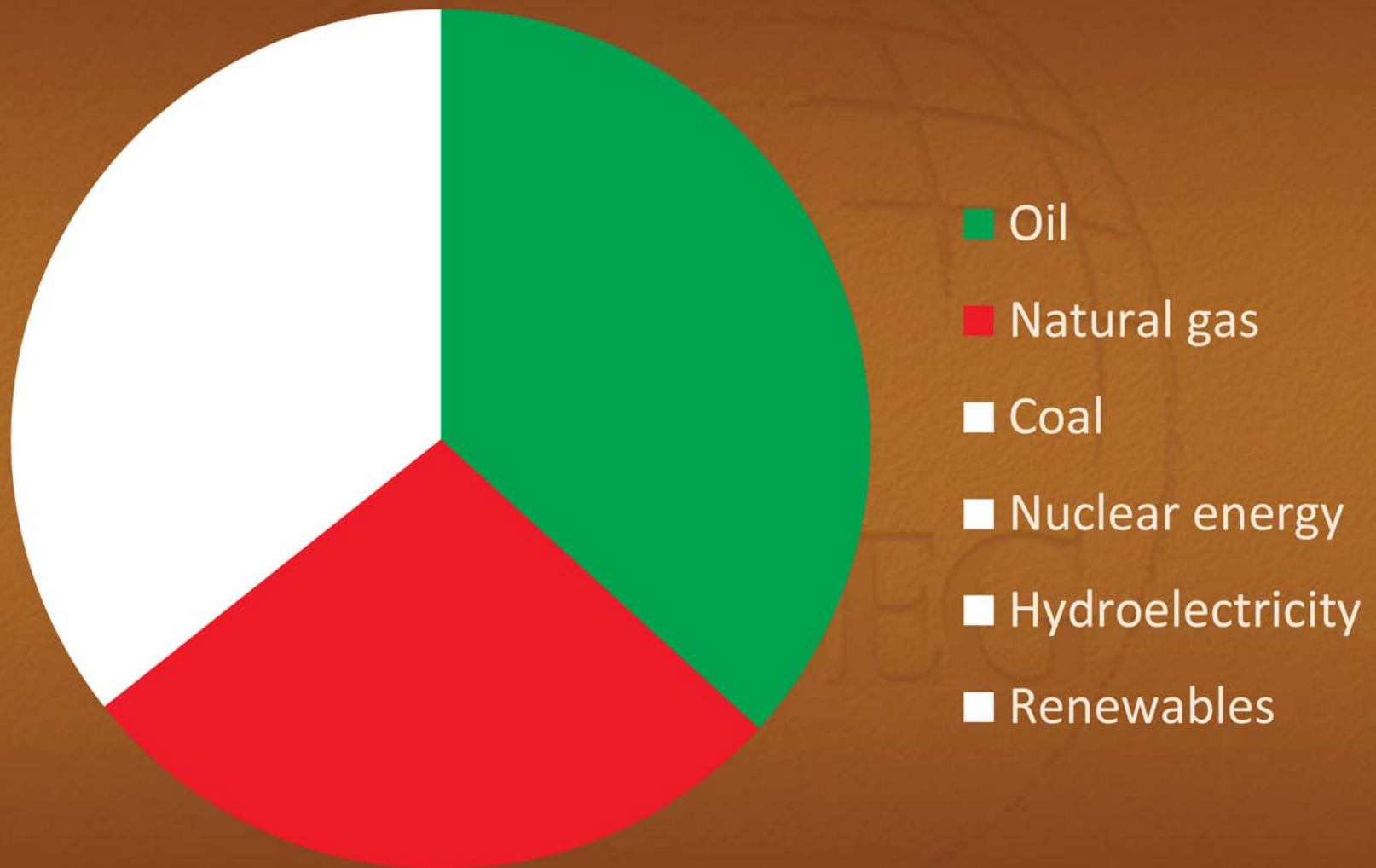
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U.S. Energy Mix (%)



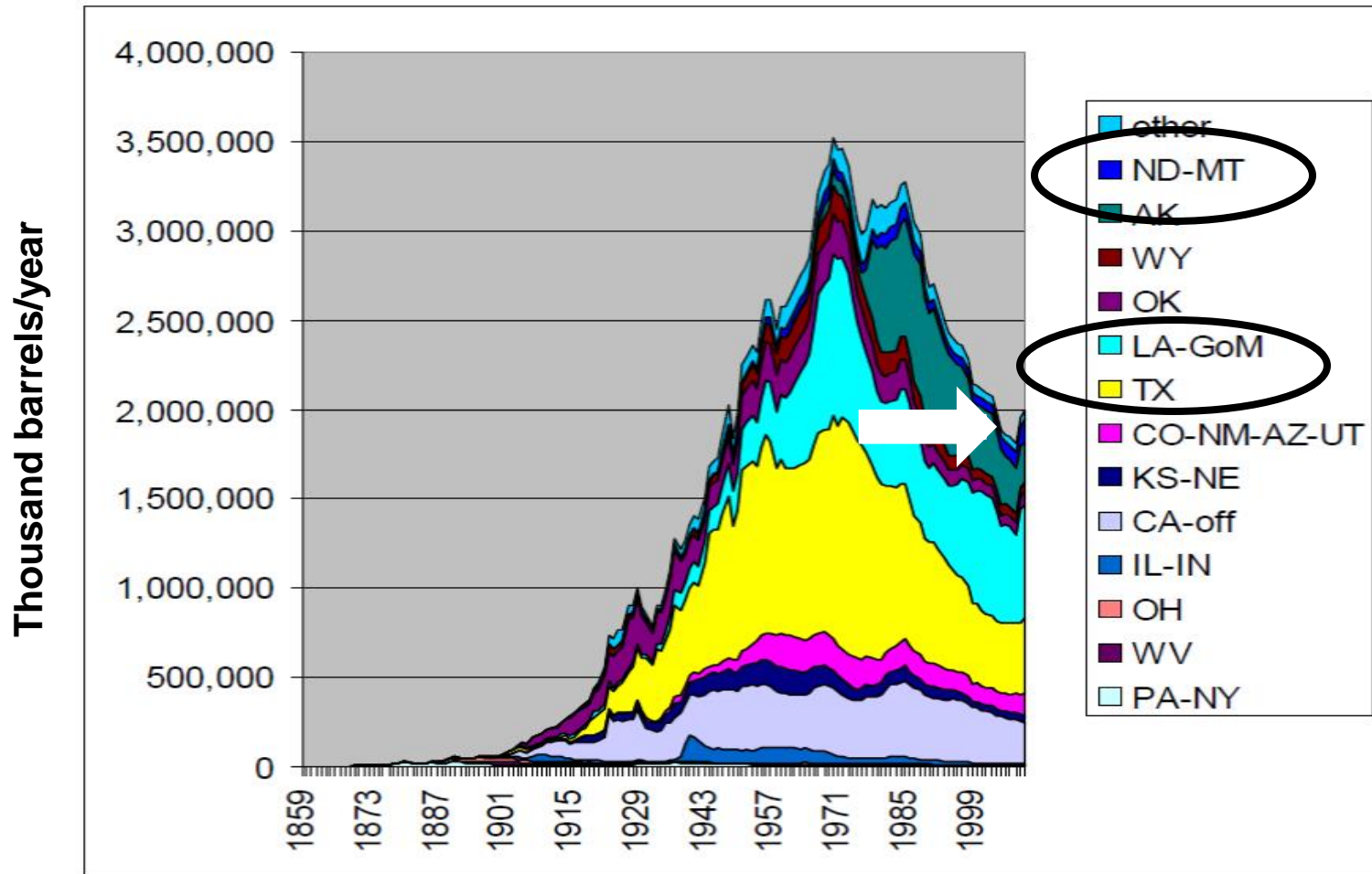
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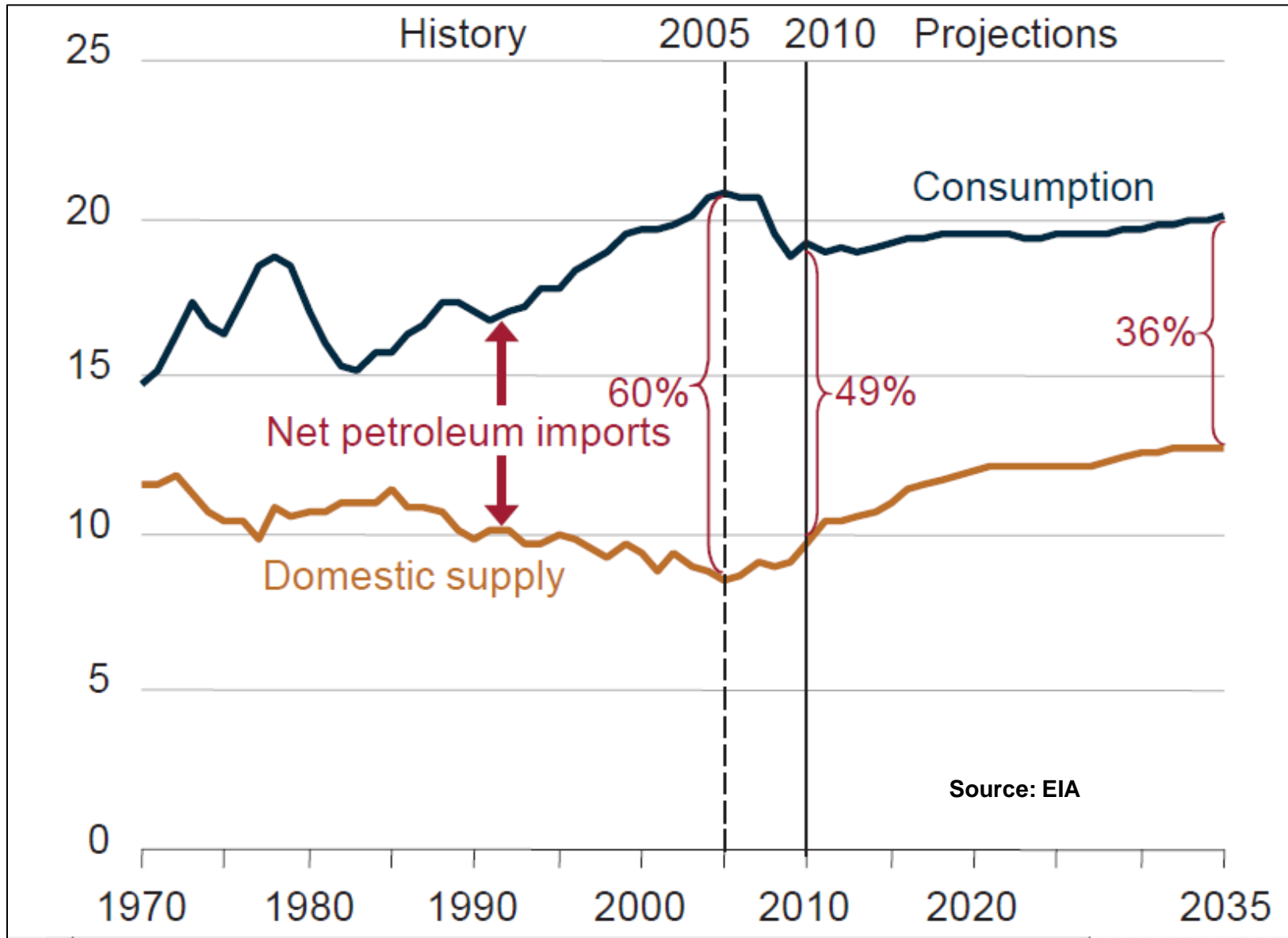
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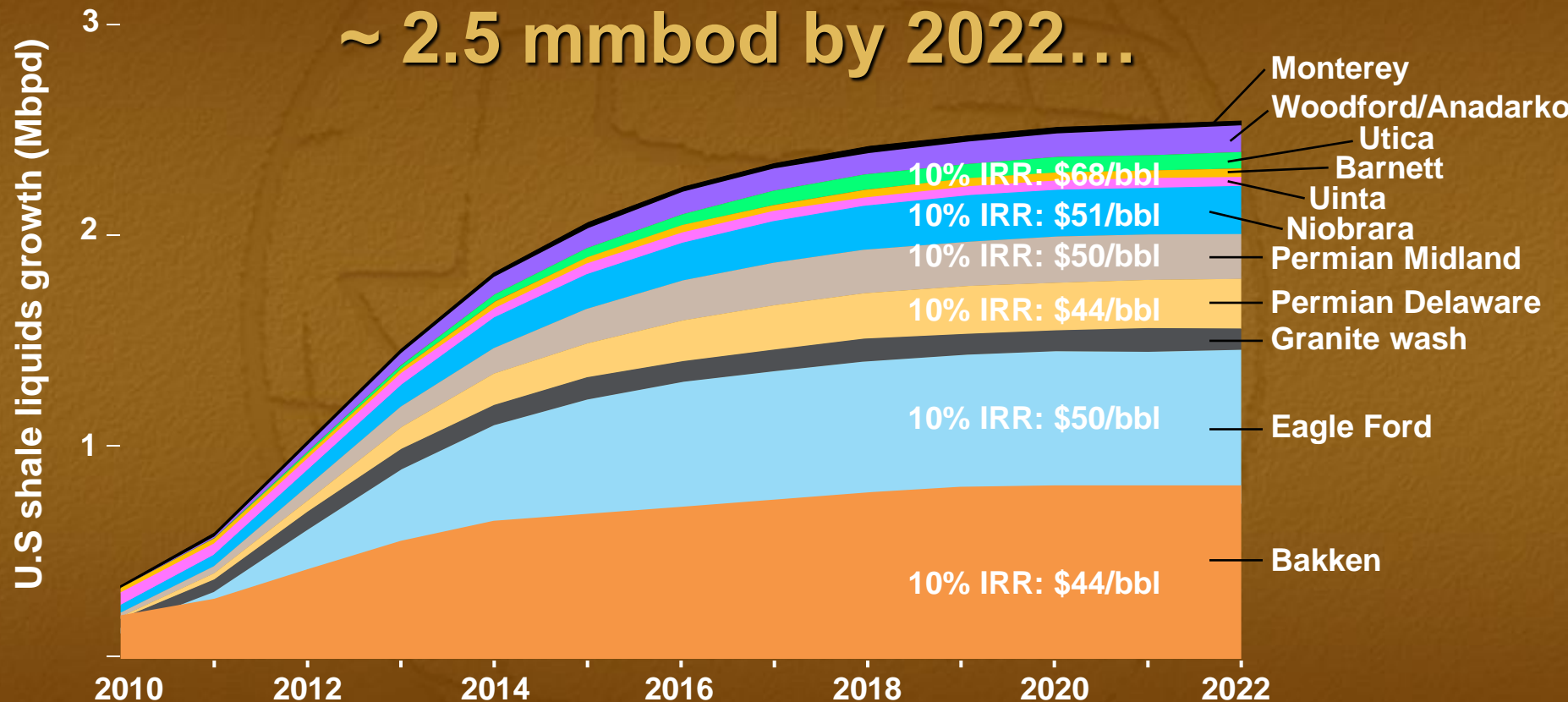


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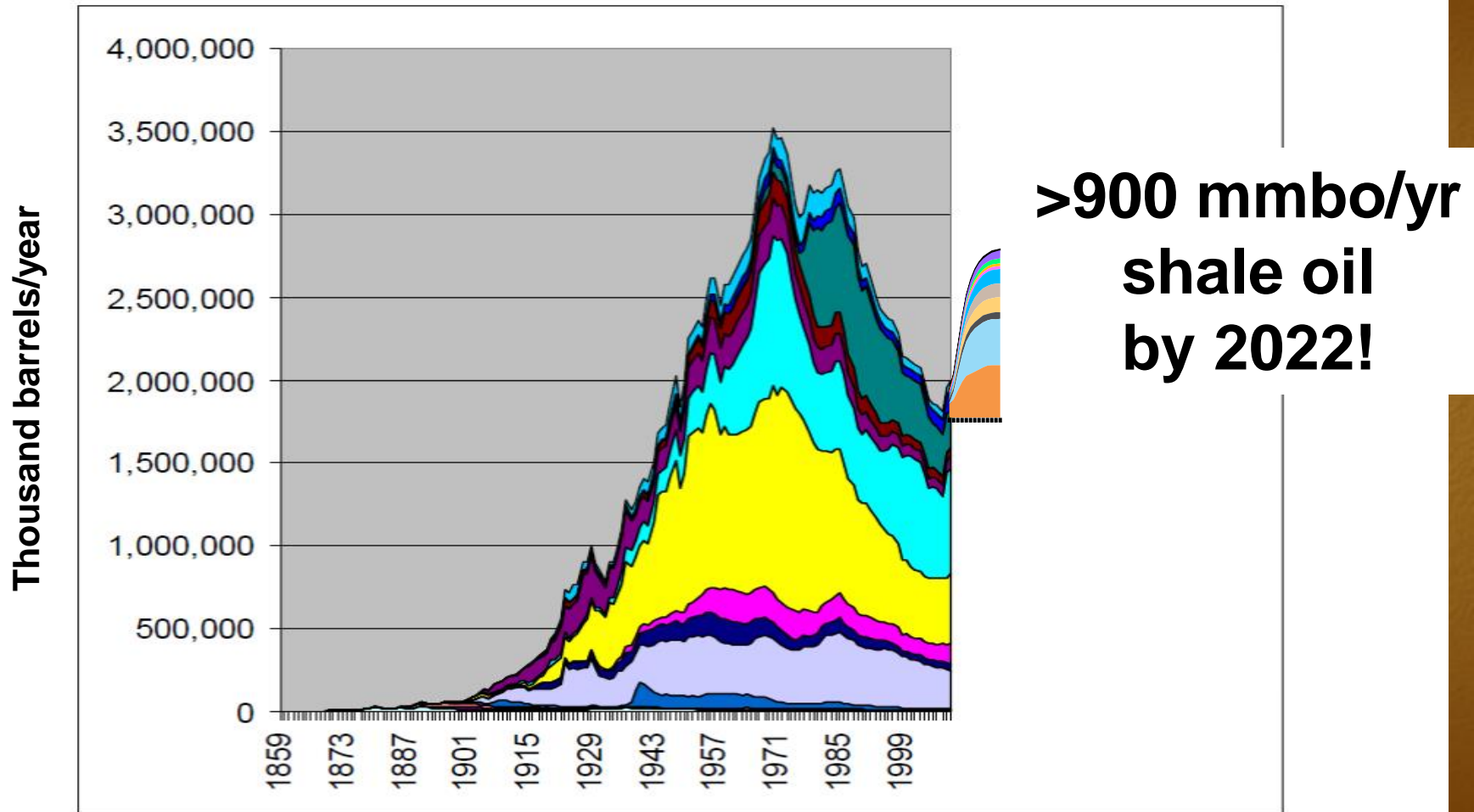
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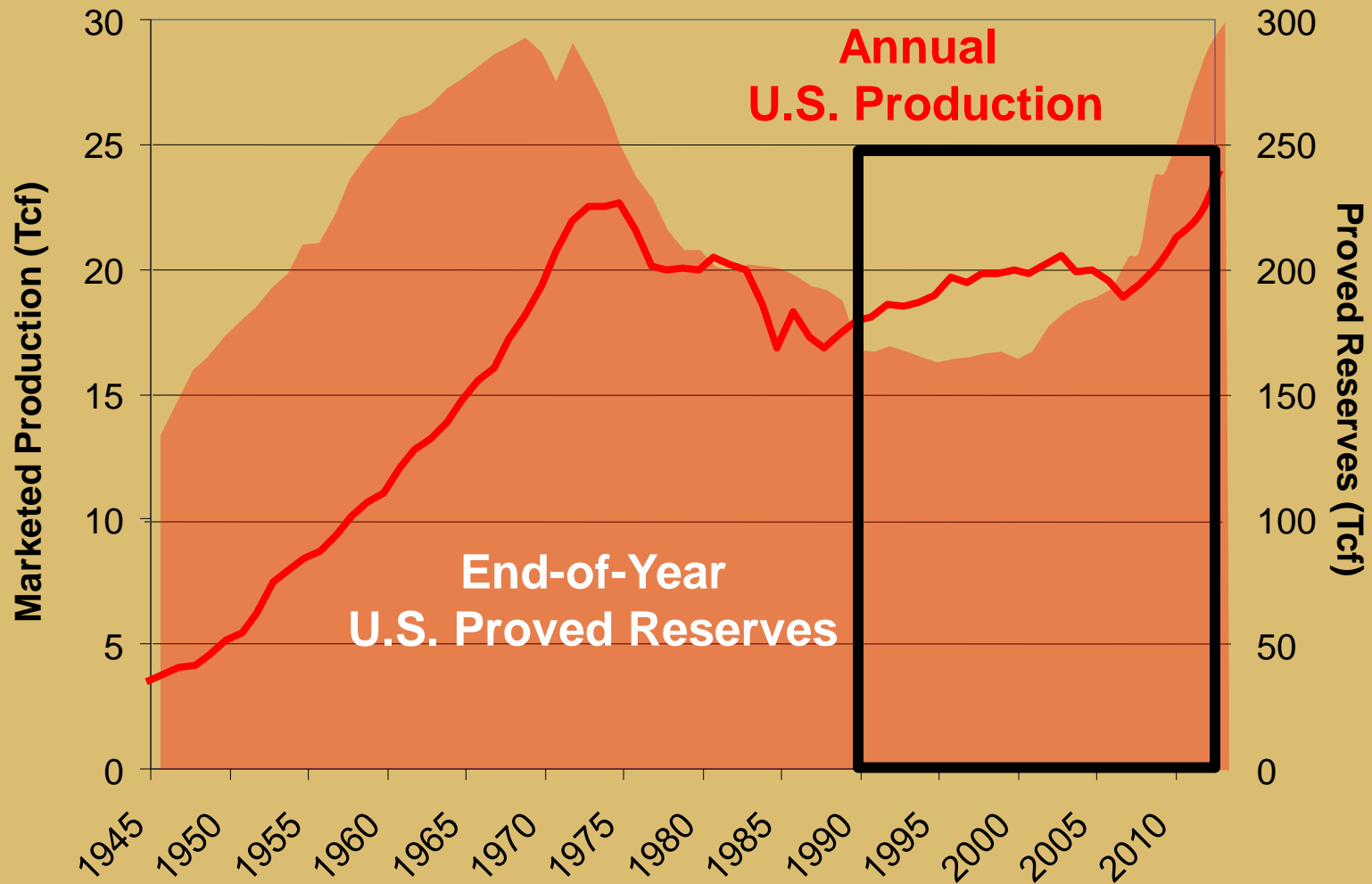


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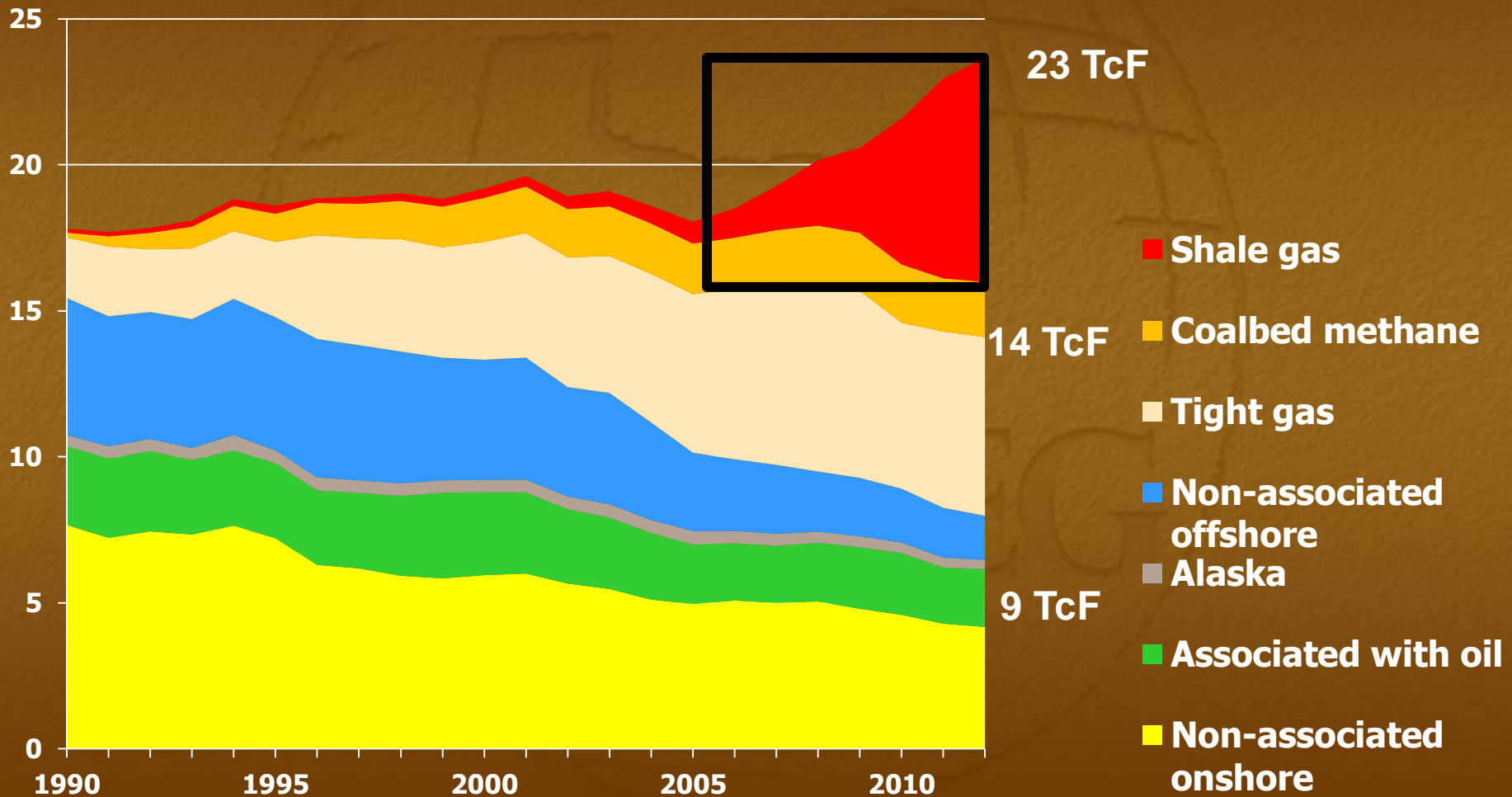


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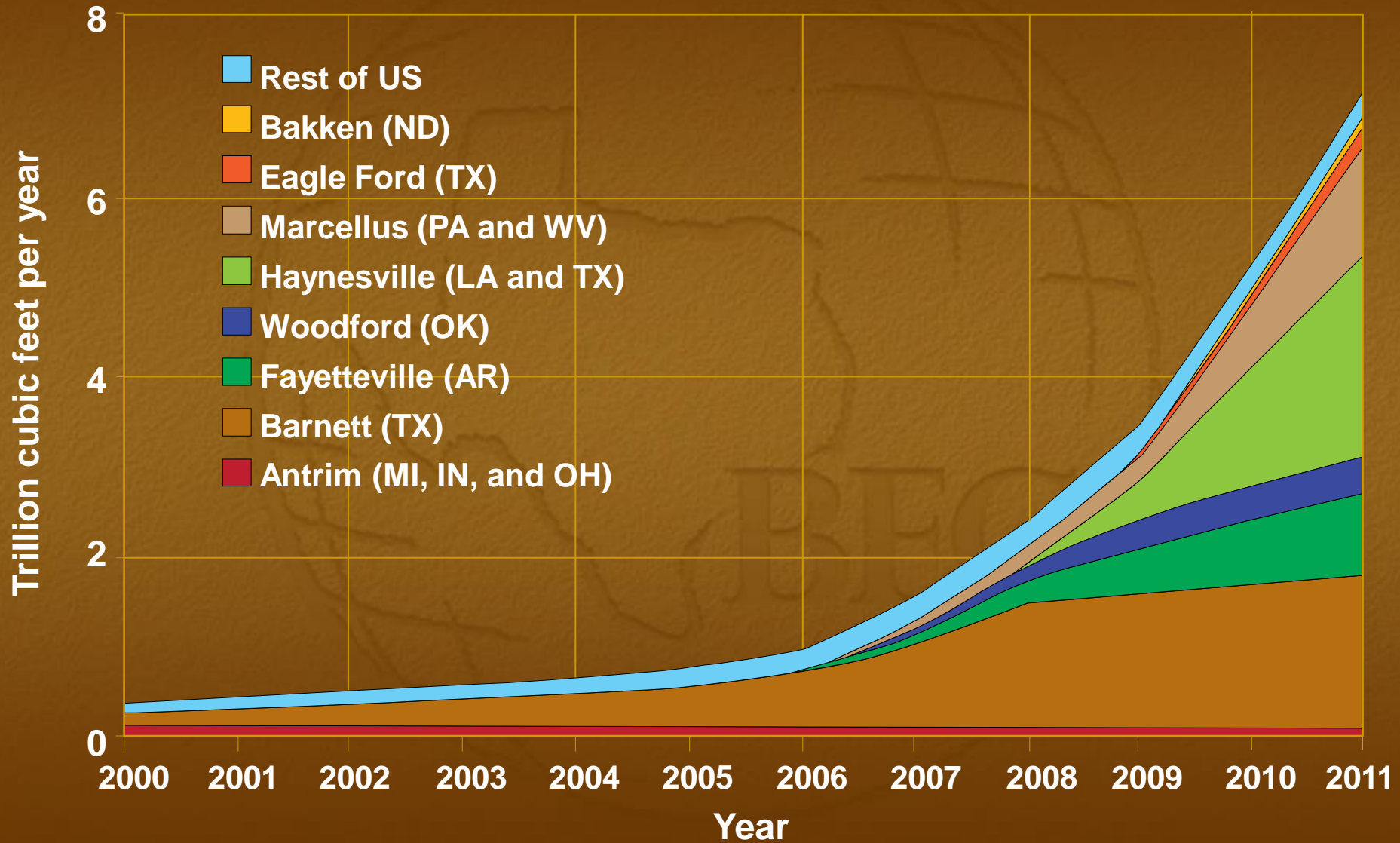
U.S. Natural Gas *Production and Reserves*



U.S. Natural Gas *Production (TcF)*

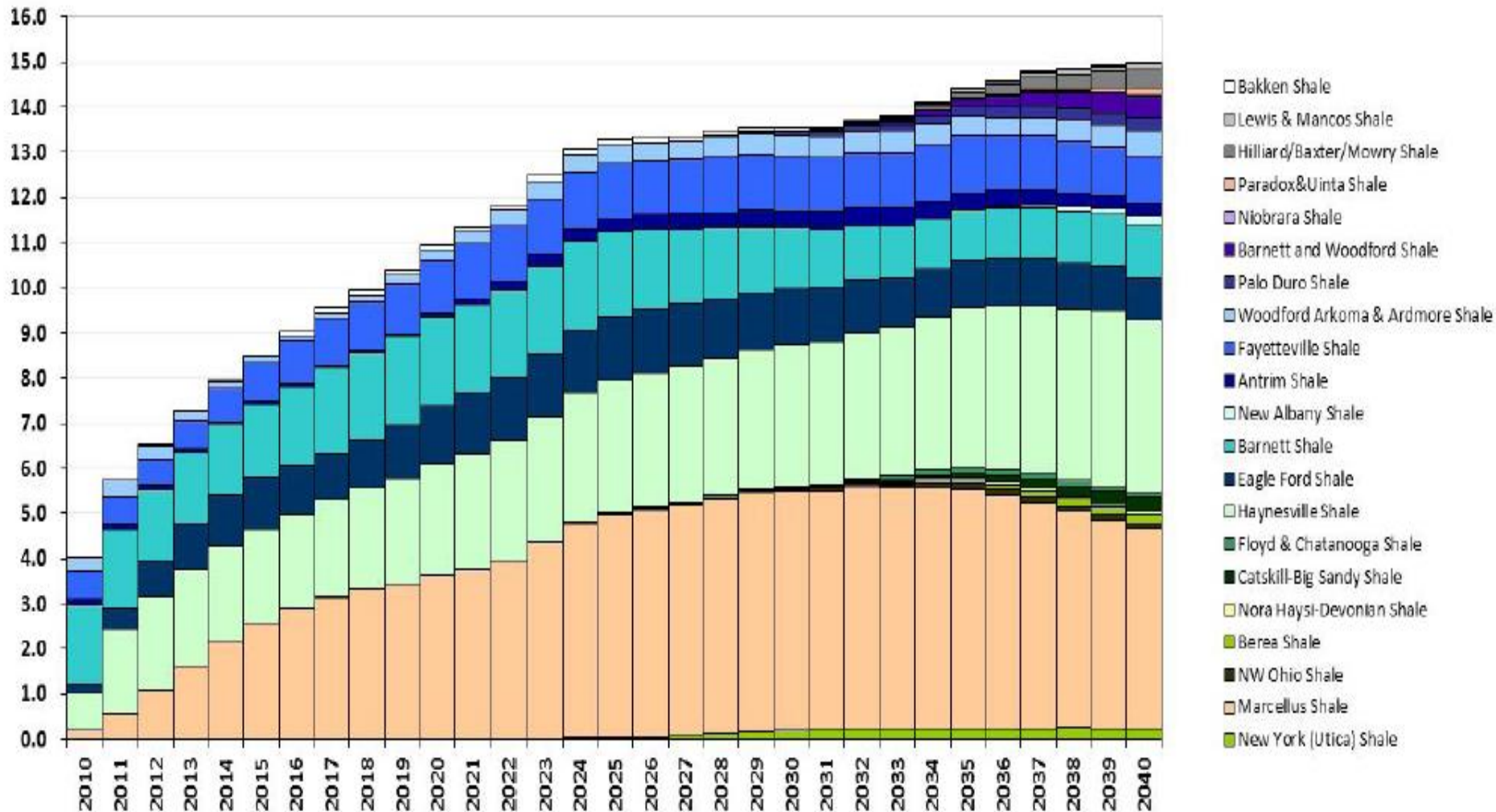


Estimated annual U.S. Dry Shale Natural Gas Production, 2000-2011



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tcf Model: Rice University, Medlock, 2012



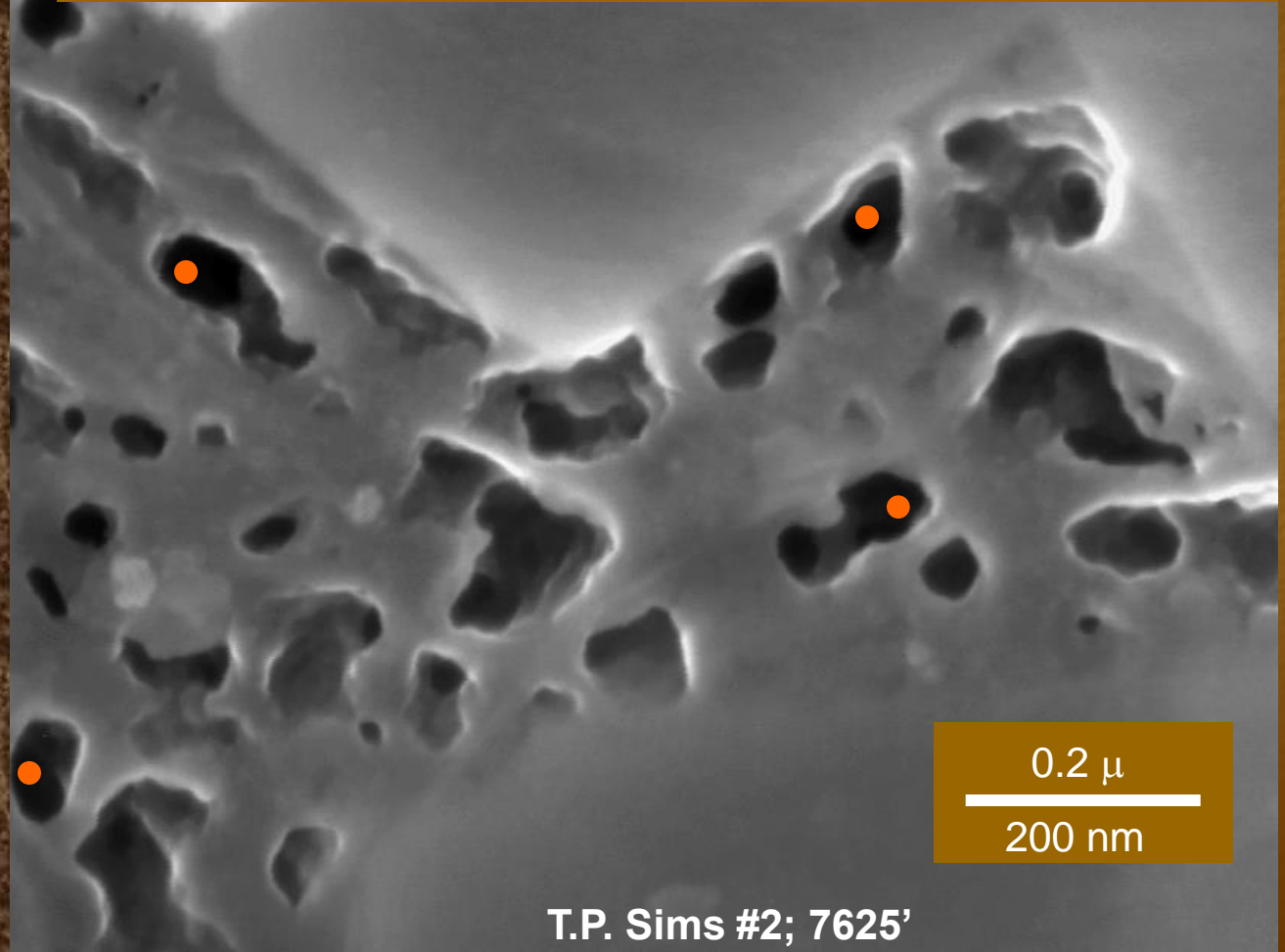
Unconventional Reservoirs

Easy to find, expensive to produce

Human Hair

50 μm

Orange dots are 20 nm in diameter



T.P. Sims #2; 7625'

Hydraulic Fracturing “Fracking”

Water (~88%)

Proppant (~11%)

Friction Reducers: always (polyacrylamide)

Biocides: often (glutaraldehyde, chlorine)

Scale Inhibitors: sometimes (phosphonate)

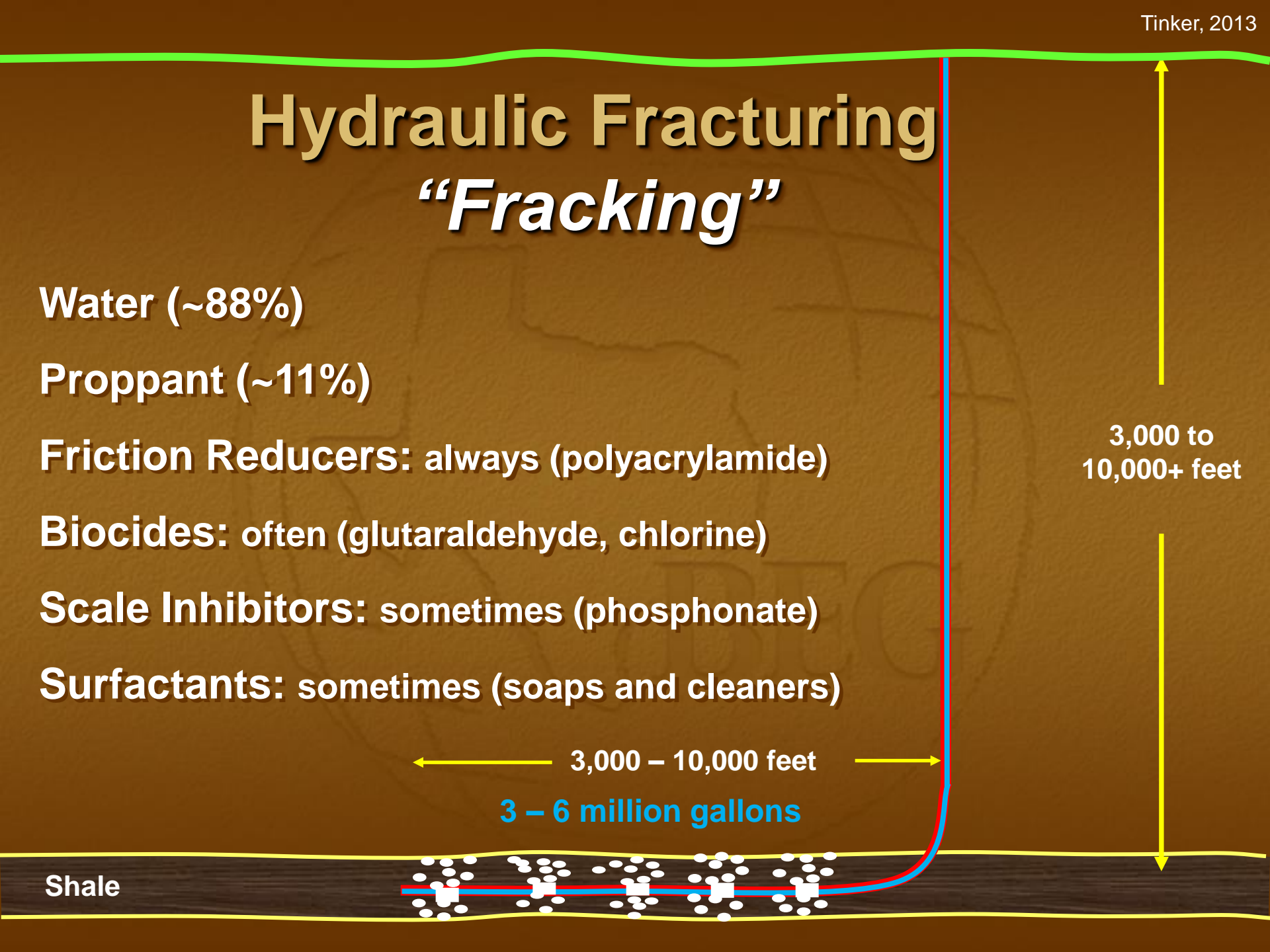
Surfactants: sometimes (soaps and cleaners)

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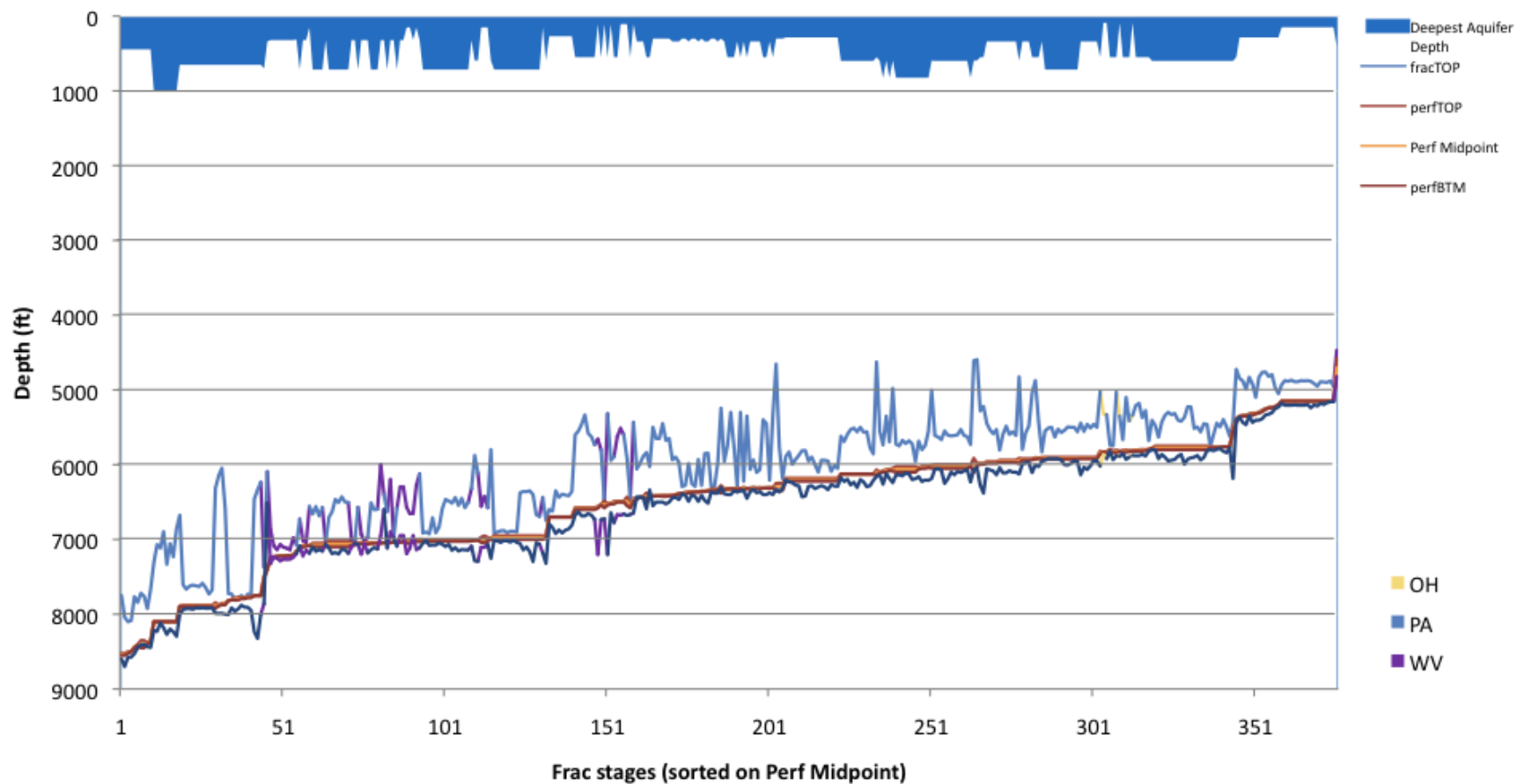
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3,000 to
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Shale



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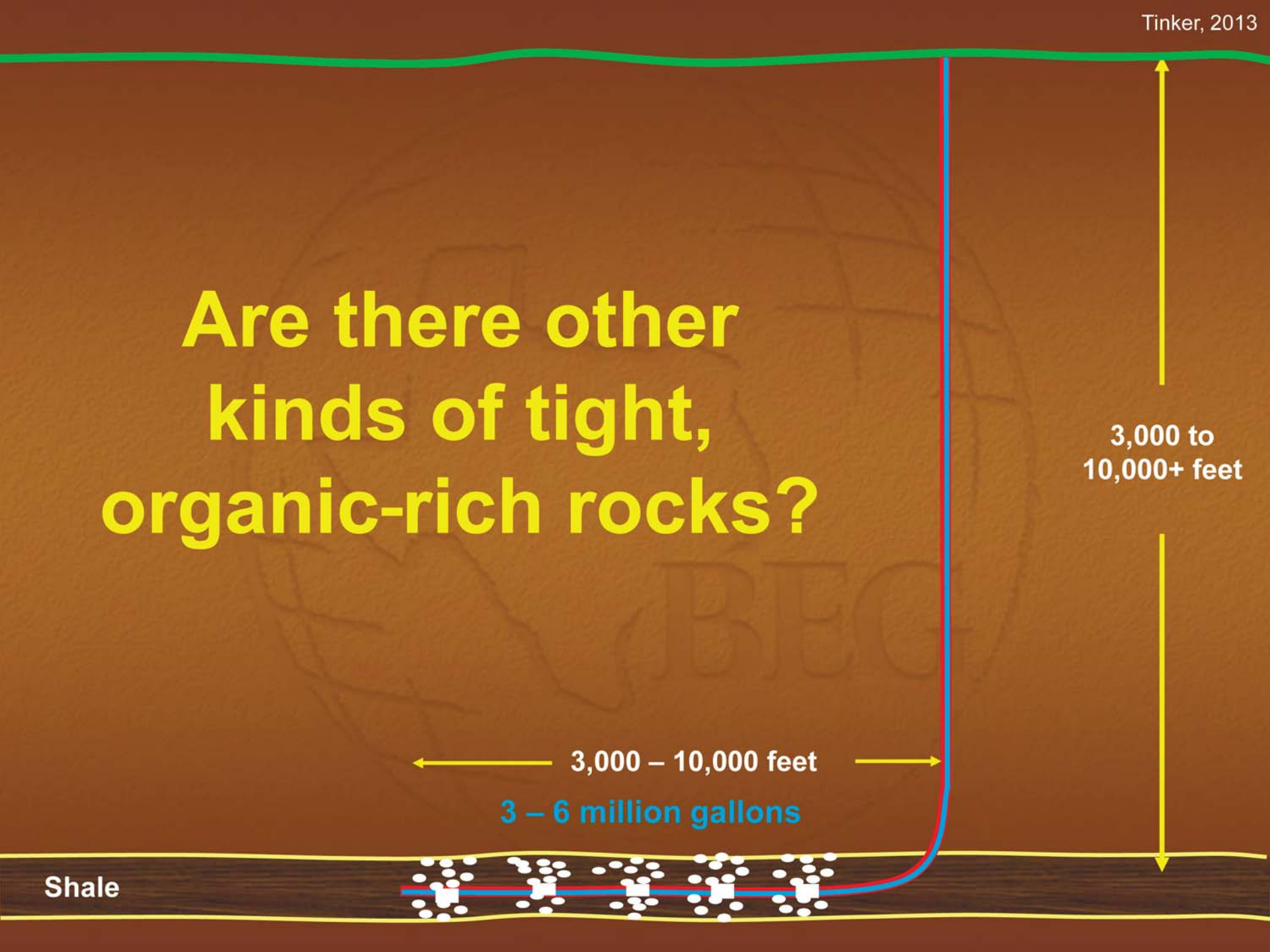


**Are there other
kinds of tight,
organic-rich rocks?**

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Shale





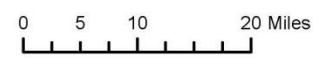
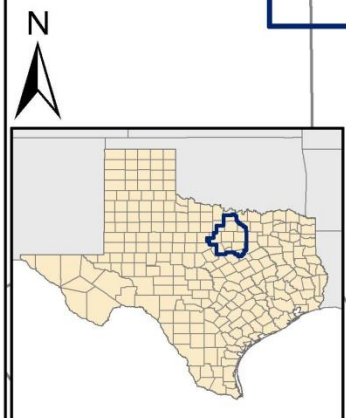
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30-Year Natural Gas Productivity *Extrapolated* Barnett Shale, TX* Tier 1

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30-year production projection (Bcf).
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Tier 1



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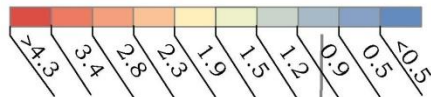
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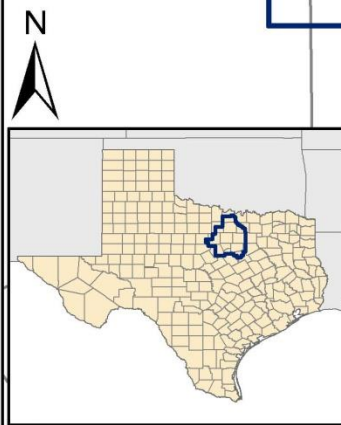
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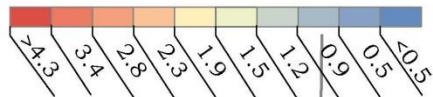
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Barnett Shale, TX*

Tiers 1-3

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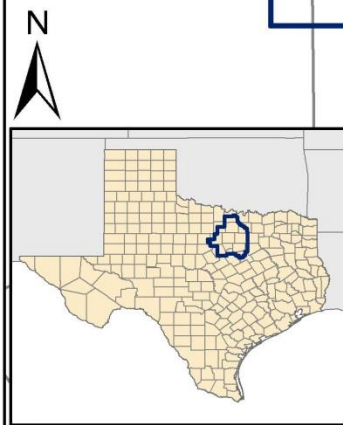


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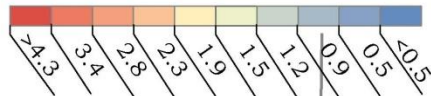
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Barnett Shale, TX*

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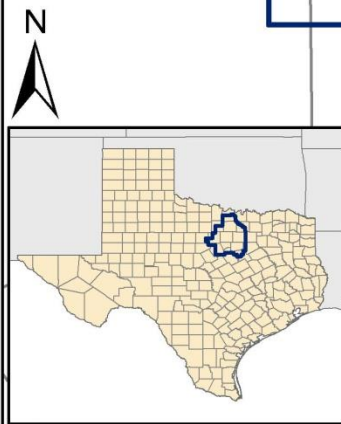
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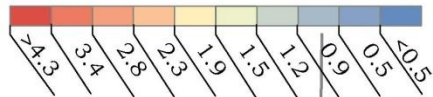
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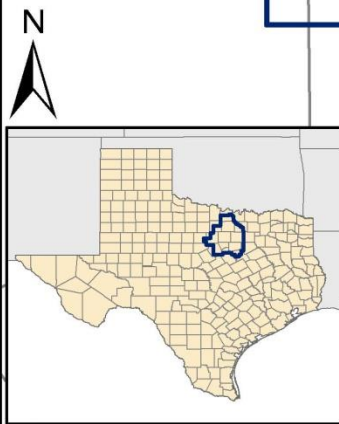


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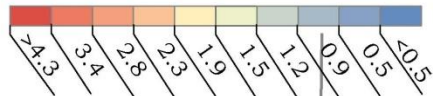
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Barnett Shale, TX*

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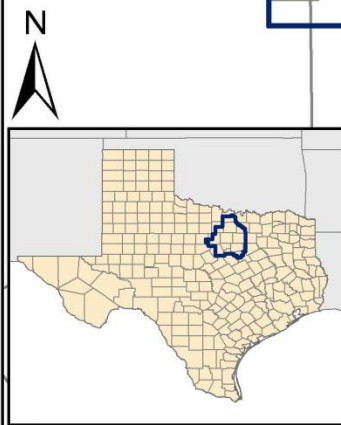


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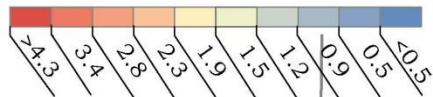
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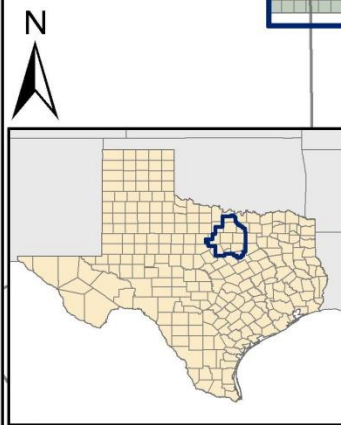


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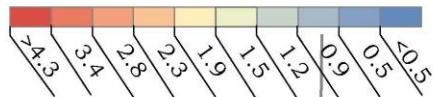
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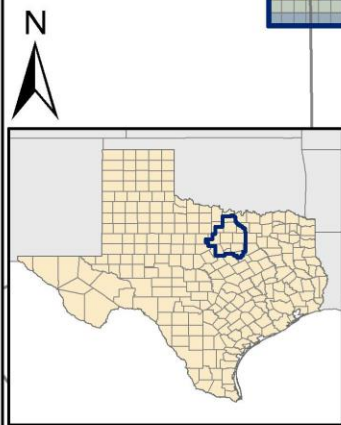
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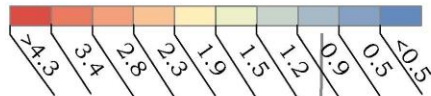
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Tiers 1- 9

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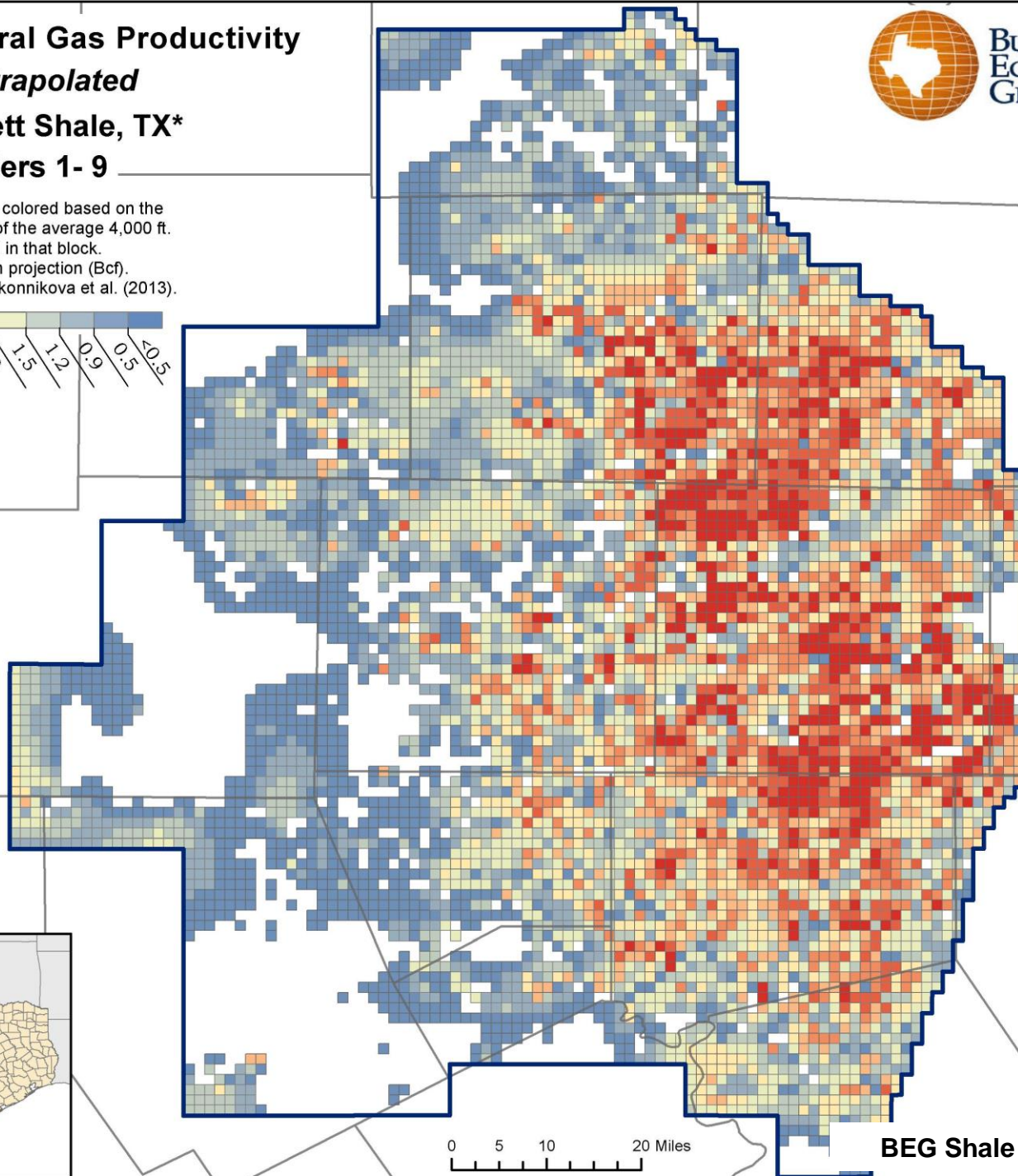
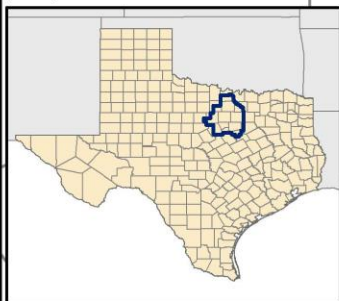


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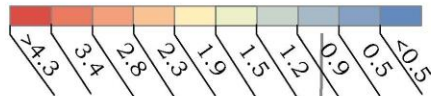
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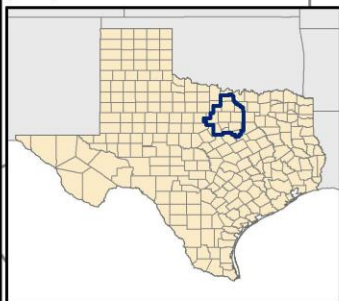


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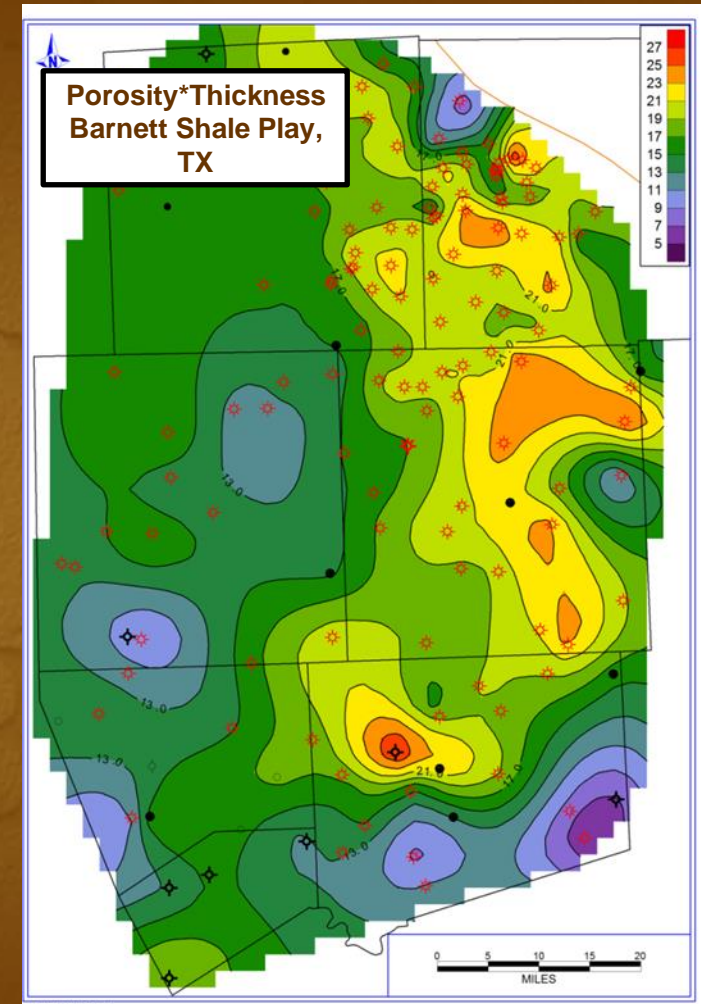
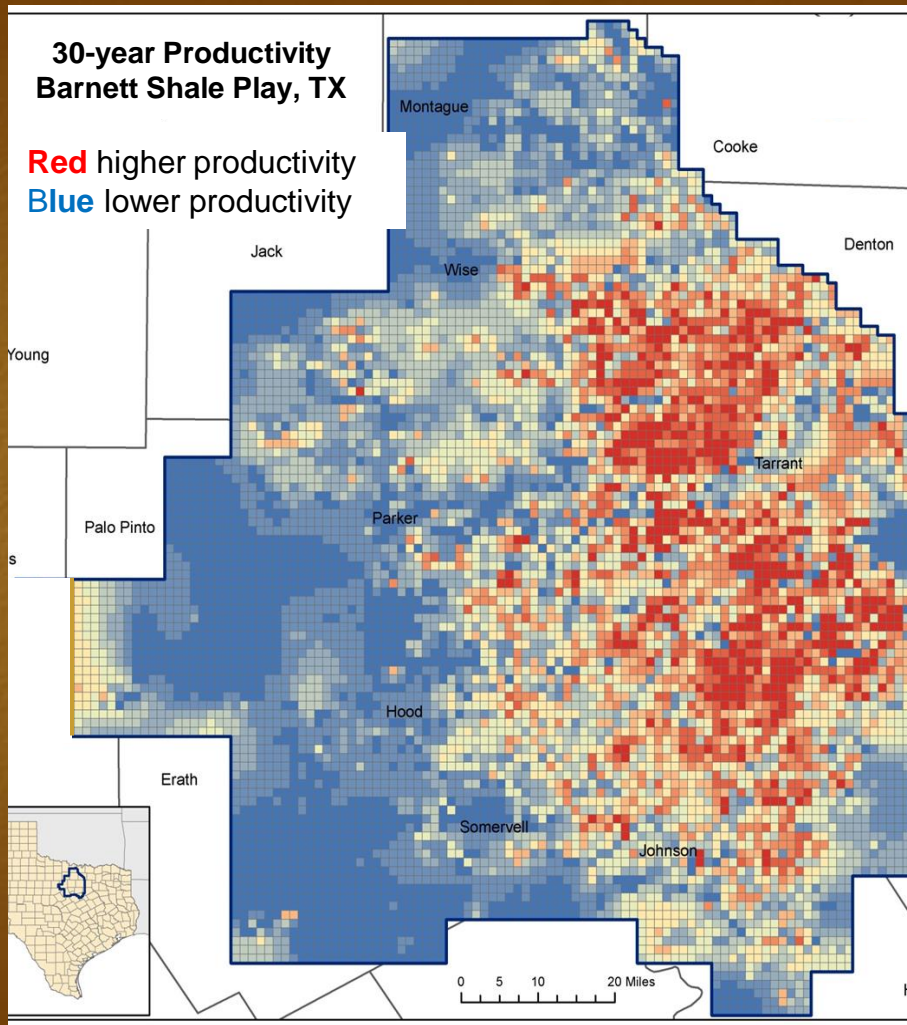
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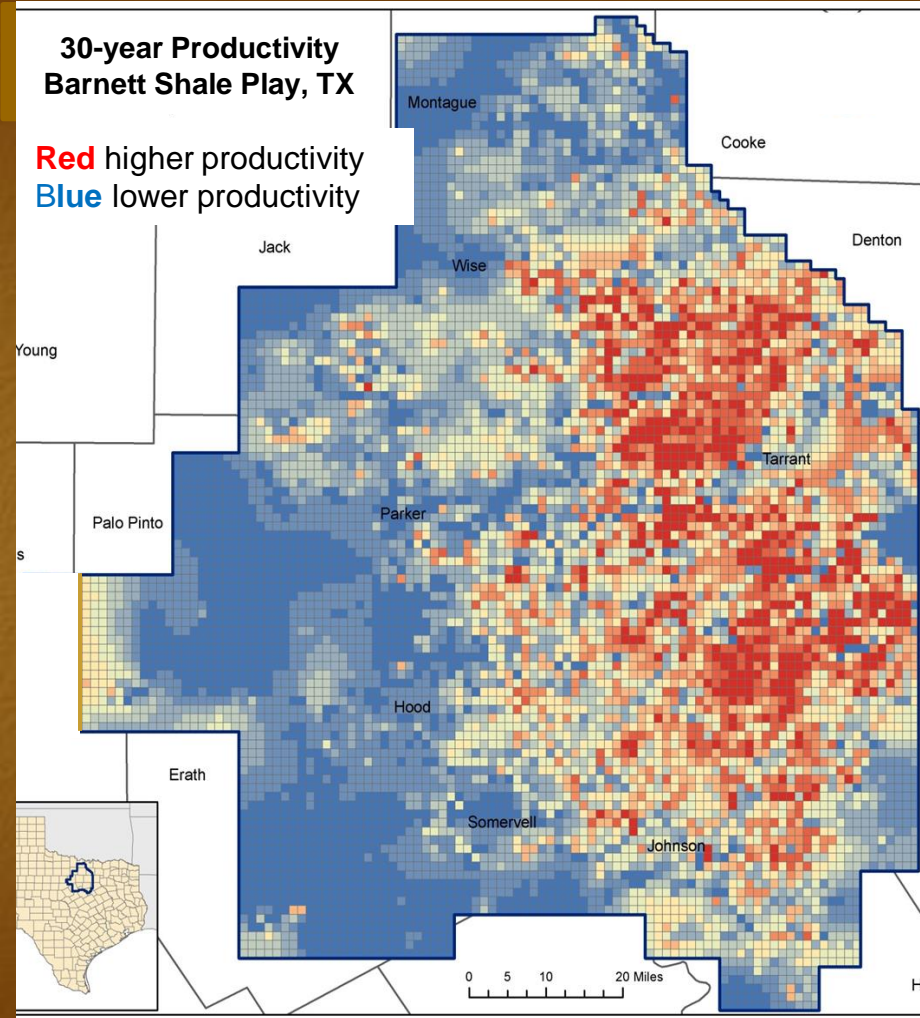


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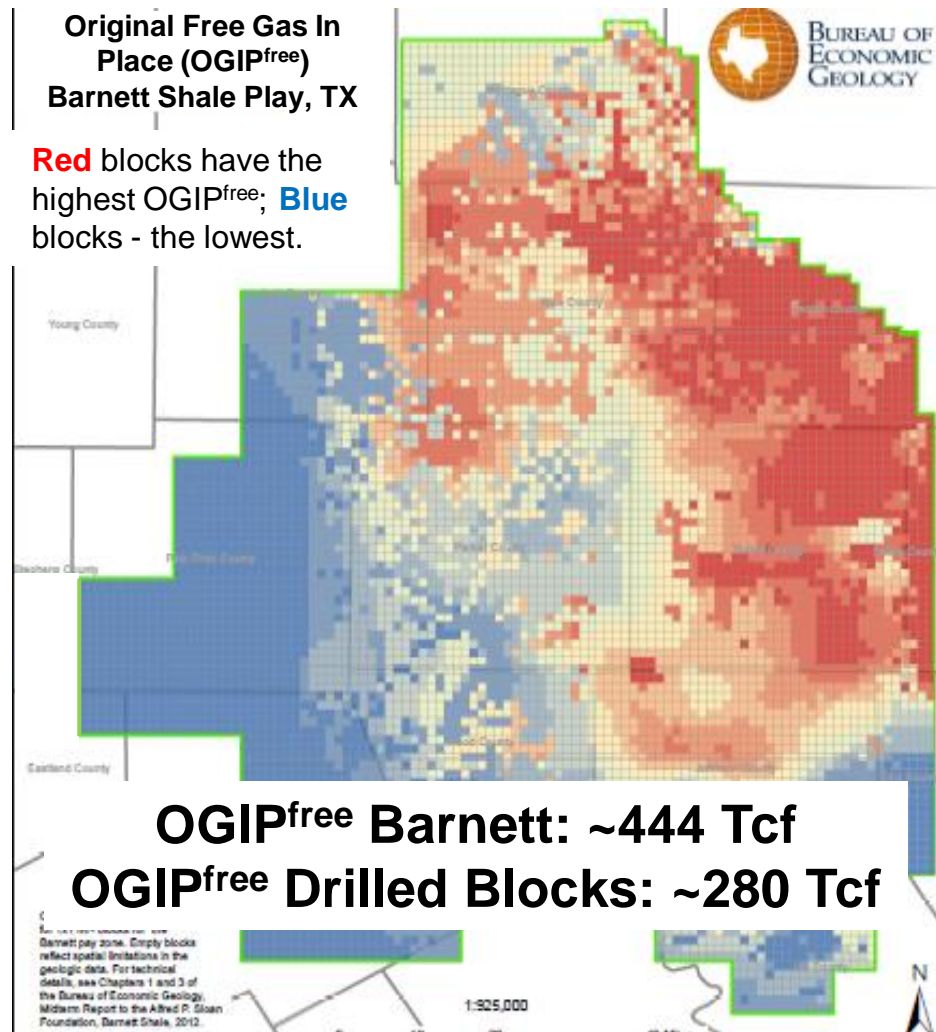
30-year Productivity Barnett Shale Play, TX

Red higher productivity
Blue lower productivity



Original Free Gas In Place (OGIP^{free}) Barnett Shale Play, TX

Red blocks have the
highest OGIP^{free}; **Blue**
blocks - the lowest.



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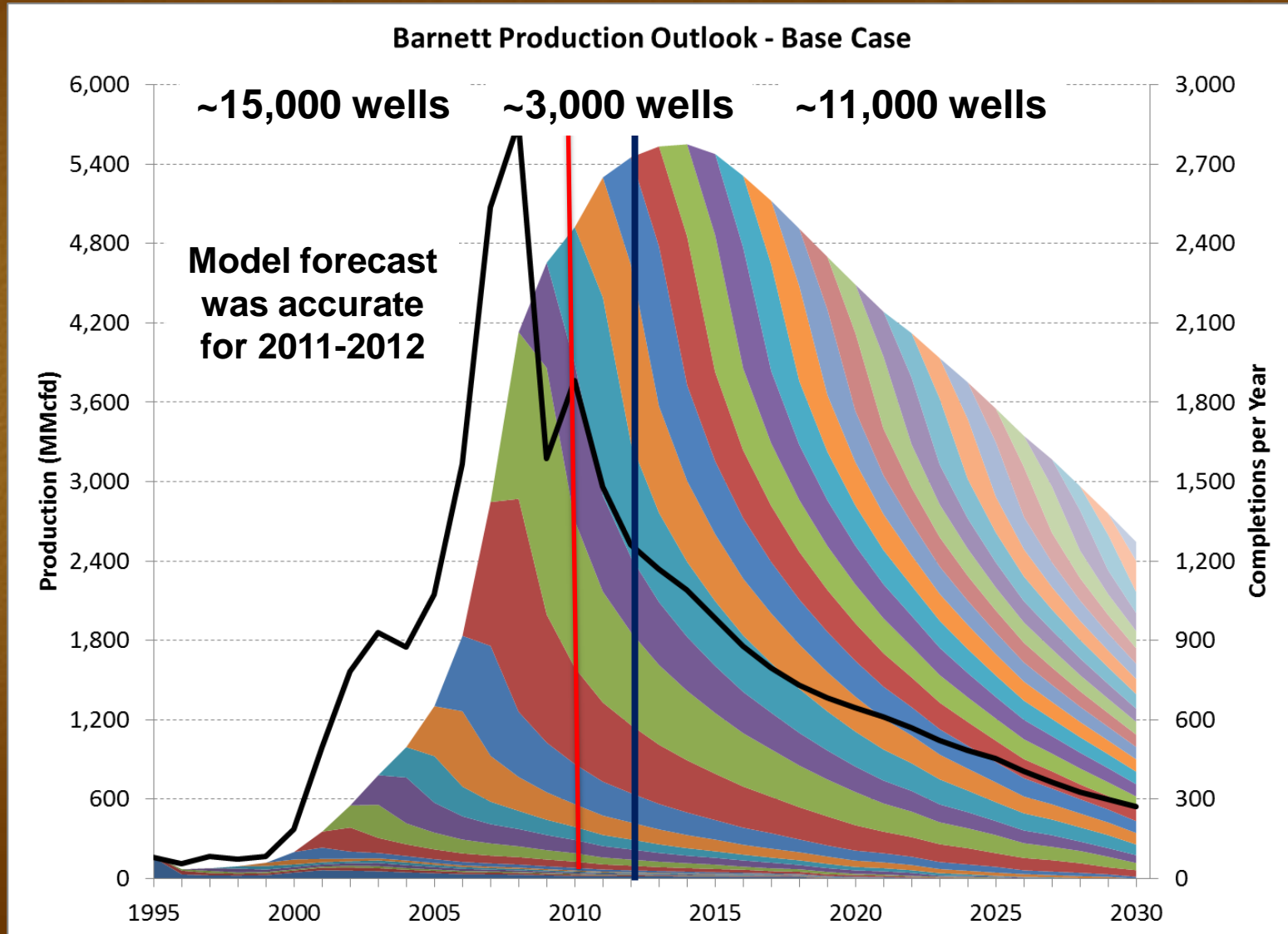
Assumption

Base case

- Henry Hub price for natural gas	\$4.00/MMBtu
- Partly drained acreage developable ceiling	80%
- Undrilled acreage developable ceiling	15%
- WTI price	\$80/bbl
- GPL/WTI price ratio	45%
- Annual technology improvement	0.39%
- Annual well-cost improvement	0.24%
- Economic limit for shutting-in a well (dry)	0.05 MMcf/d
- Economic limit for shutting-in a well (high Btu)	0.029 MMcf/d
- Minimum completions in a year (dry)	20 (Tiers 1–4) 2 (Tiers 5–10)
- Minimum completions in a year (high Btu)	25 (Tiers 2–5) 10 (Tiers 1, 6–10)

Barnett

Production Outlook





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Extrapolated

Barnett Shale, TX*

Tiers 1, 2, 3, 9 & 10

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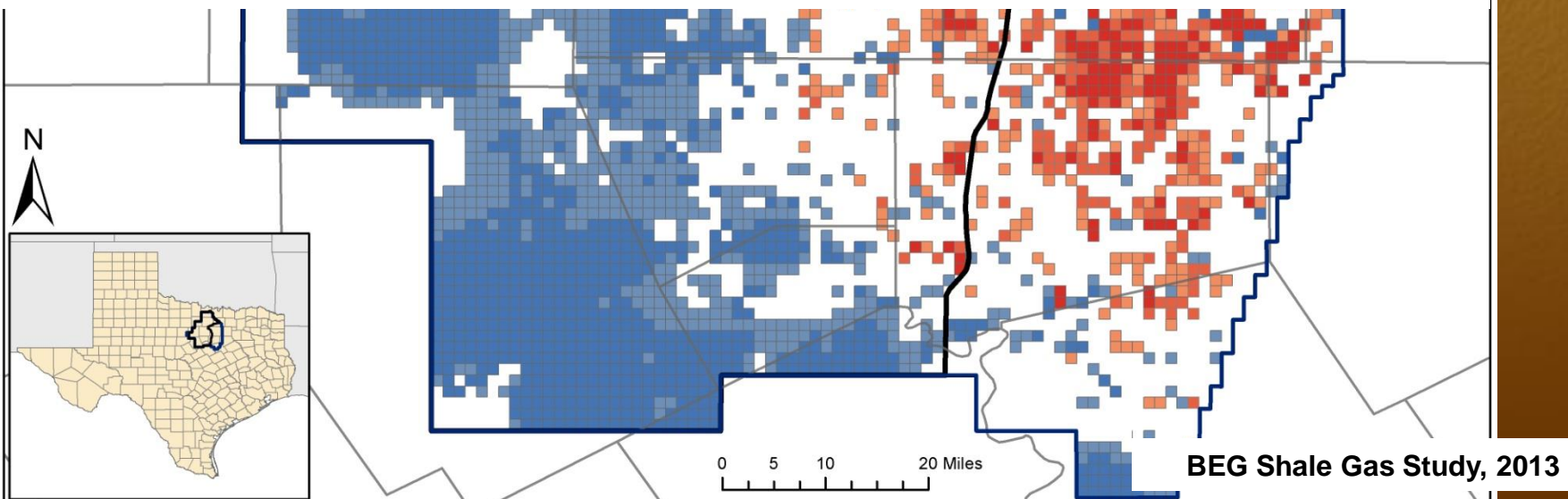
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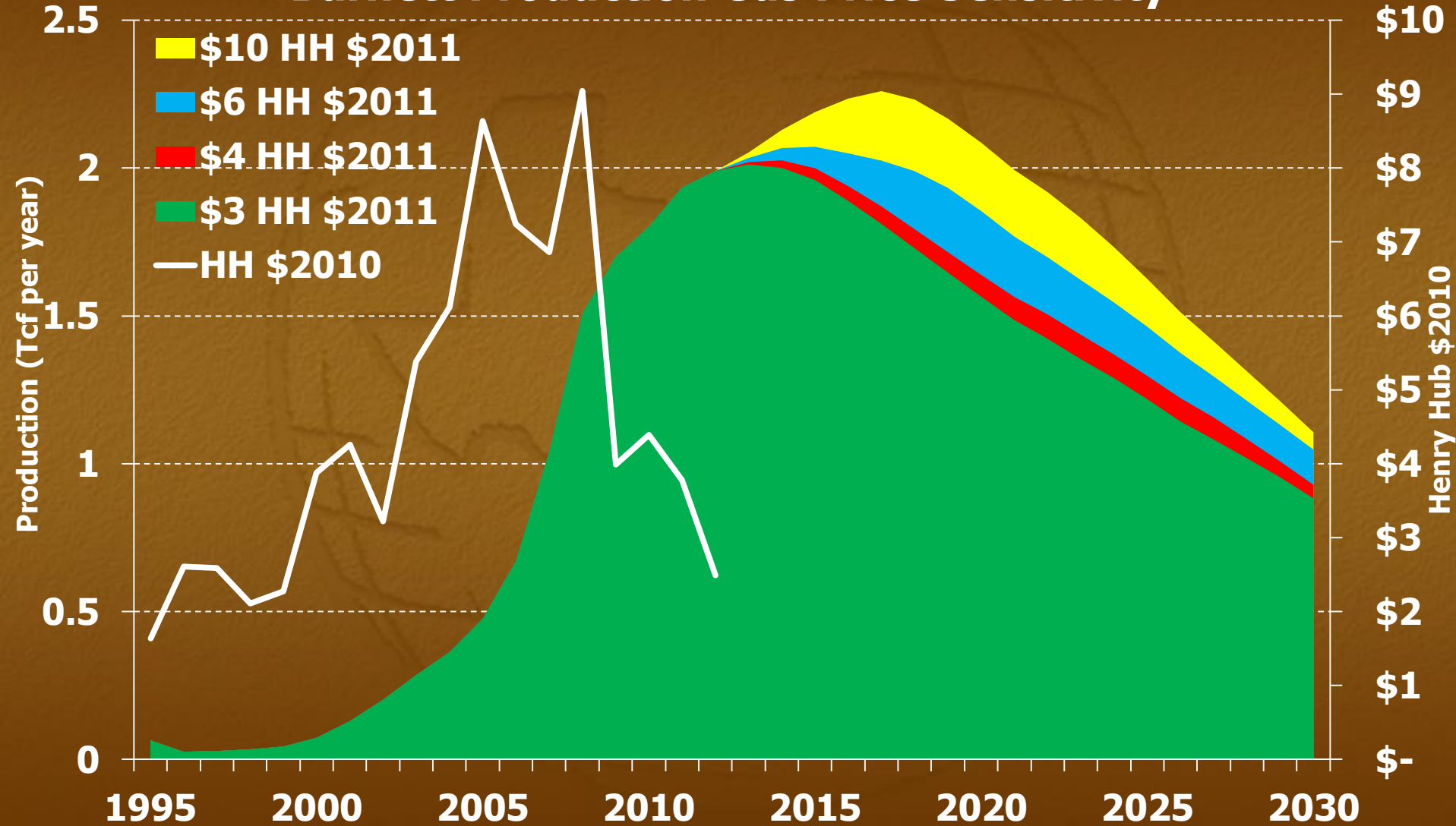
Higher BTU

Opportunities for the Independent?



Barnett Shale: *Base Case*

Barnett Production Gas Price Sensitivity



Barnett Shale: *Base Case*

Base Case Scenarios	2030 Annual Prod (Bcf)	Cum prod thru 2050 (Tcf)
\$3	883	43.7
\$4	929	45.1
\$6	1048	48.1
\$10	1106	51.0

Press

UT Press Release <http://www.utexas.edu/news/2013/02/28/new-rigorous-assessment-of-shale-gas-reserves-forecasts-reliable-supply-from-barnett-shale-through-2030/>

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Unconventional Reservoirs

Environmental Implications

- Environmental
 - Traffic/noise/light
 - Land
 - Quakes
 - Water
 - NORM
 - Methane and Carbon



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- Security
 - Available
 - Affordable
 - Reliable

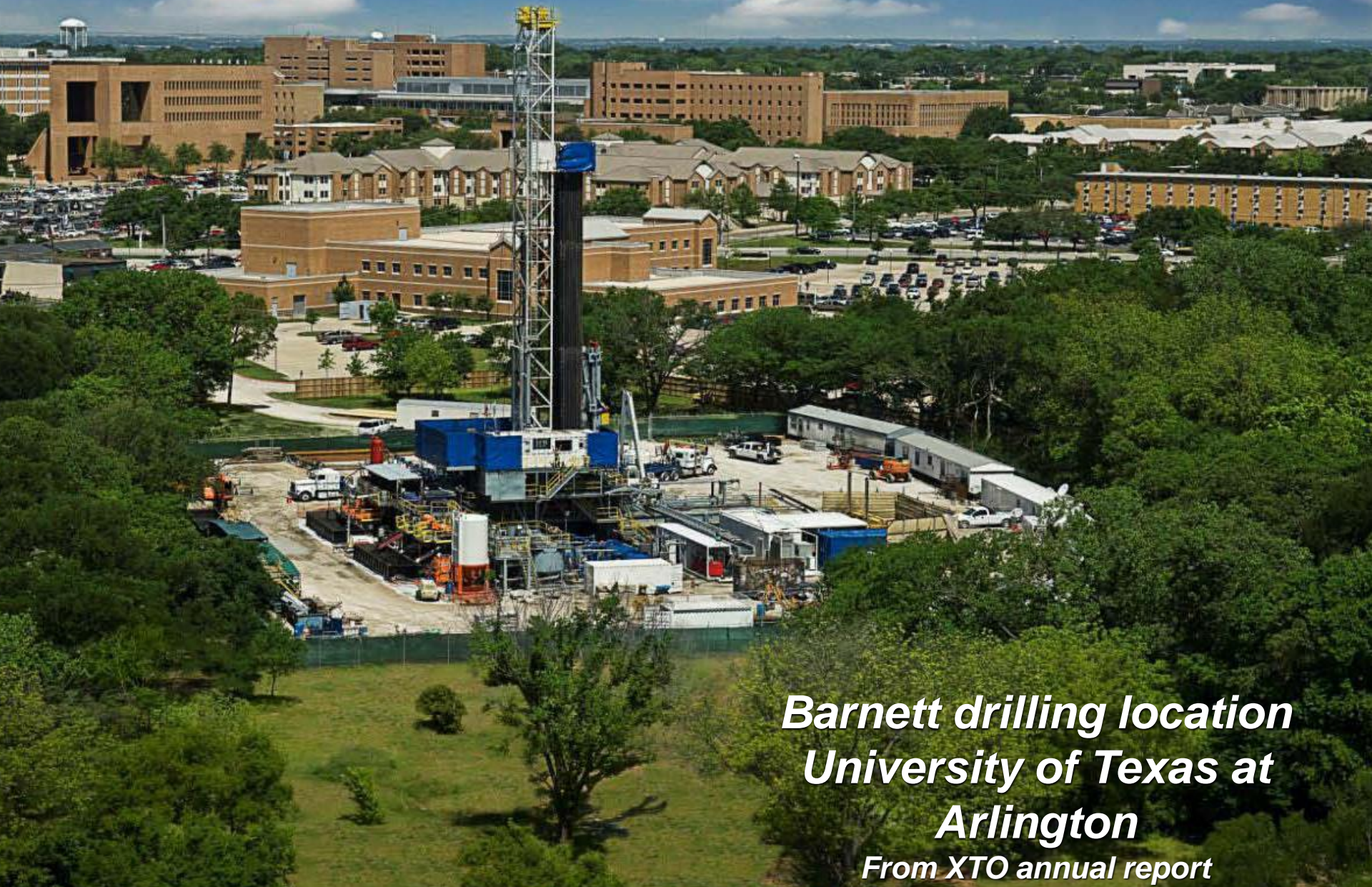
Not mutually exclusive!

Environmental Issues

Regulatory Considerations

- I. Mandatory baseline data**
- II. Cement all gas-producing zones**
- III. Minimize fresh-water use on the front end**
- IV. Full disclosure of chemicals**
- v. Handle flowback and produced water**
 - a. Treat and reuse**
 - b. Dispose: characterize for faults**
- VI. Minimize methane emissions**
- VII. Minimize surface impact**

Reducing Surface Disruption



***Barnett drilling location
University of Texas at
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From XTO annual report***



Arlington

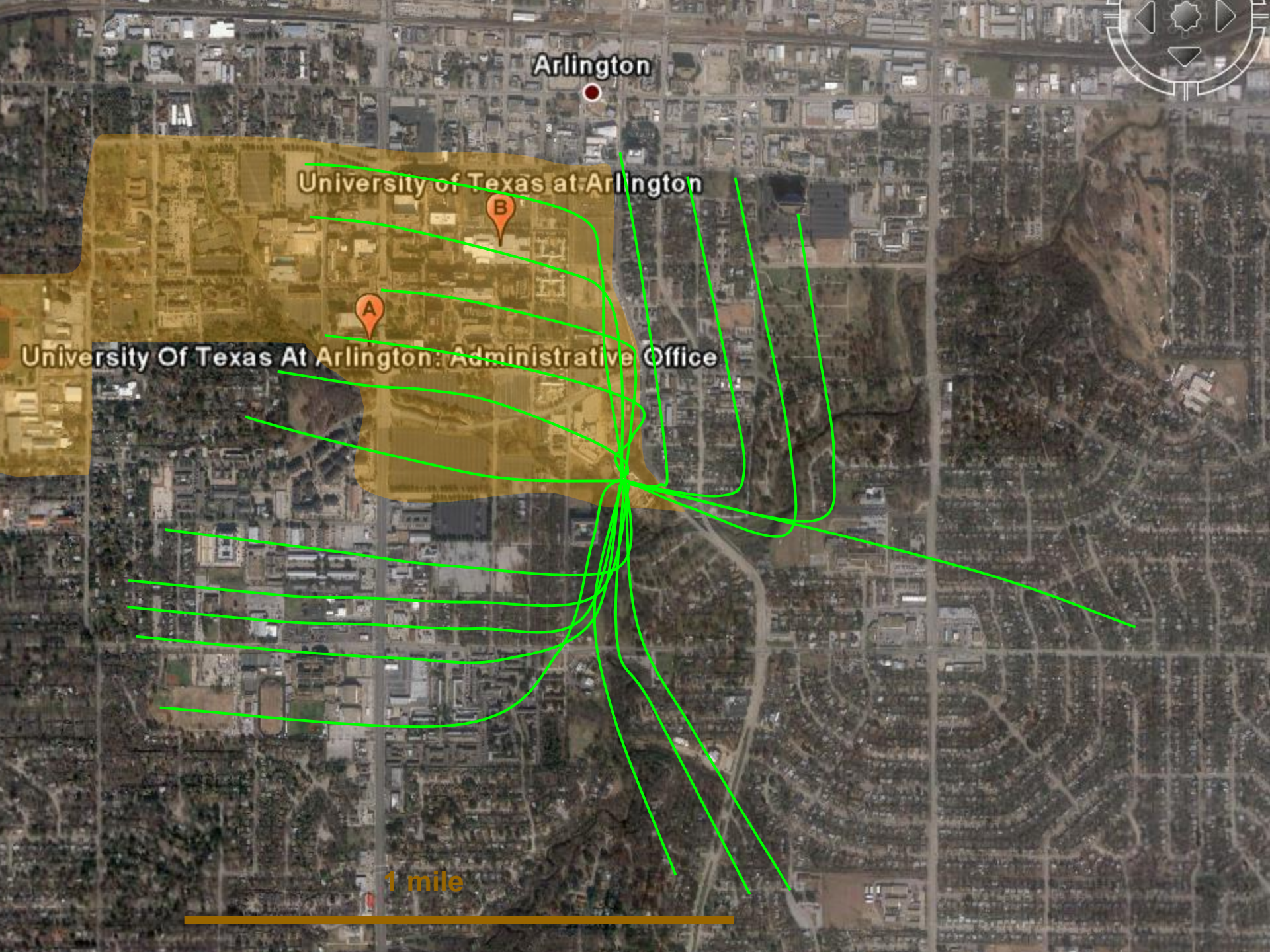
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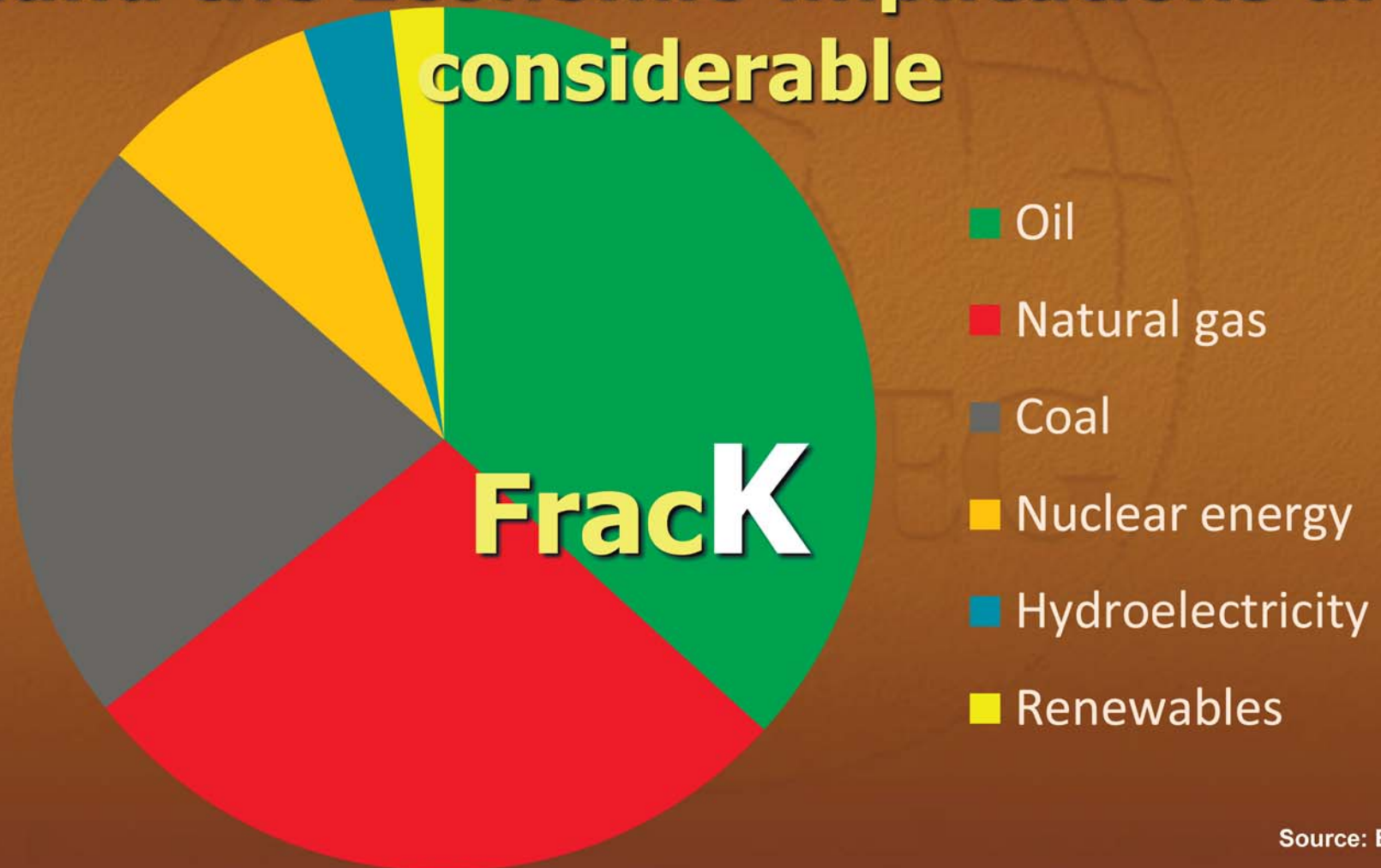
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...and the Economic implications are considerable



Source: EIA, 2012

Unconventional Reservoirs

Economic Implications

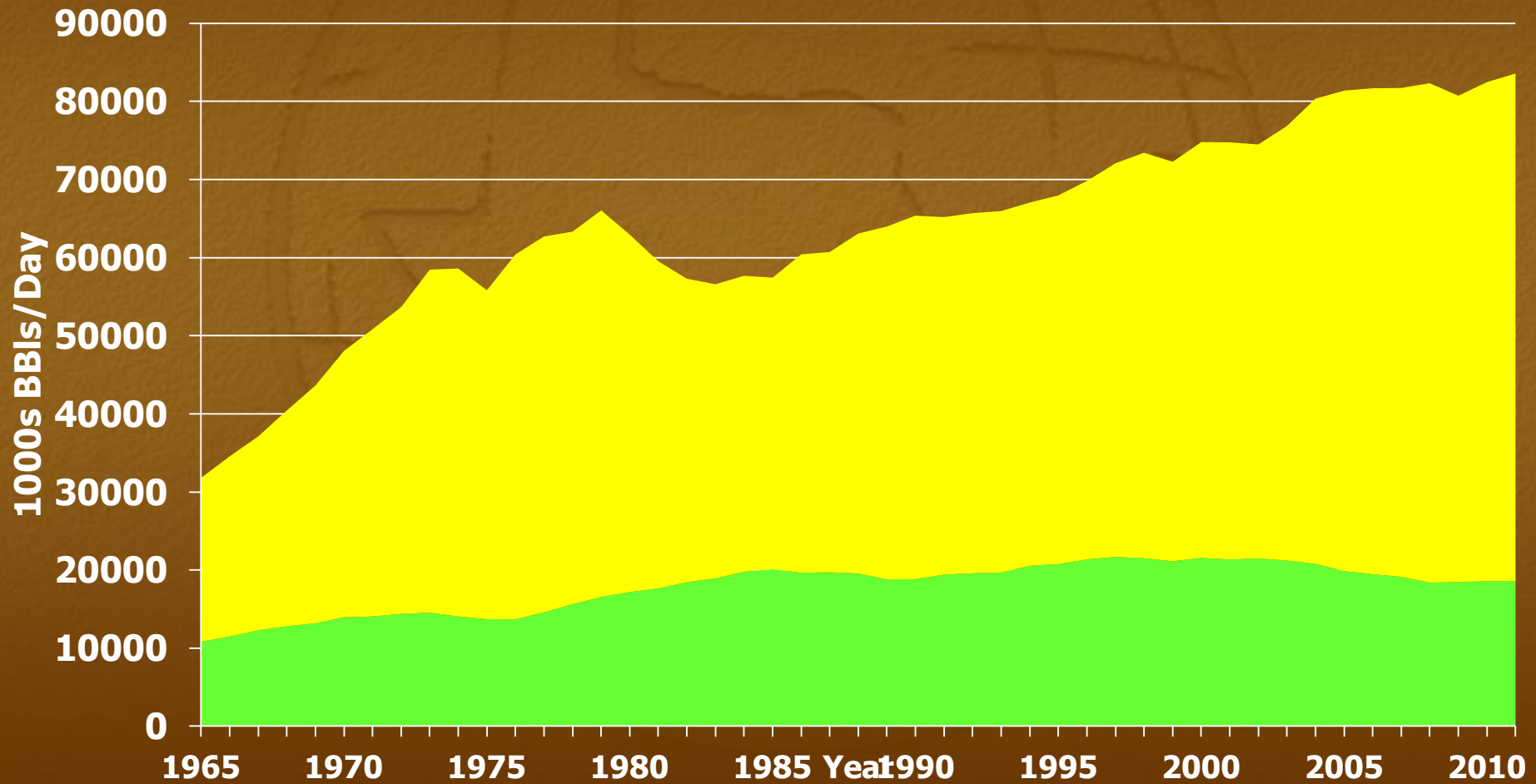
- Balance of Trade
 - ✓ Exports: Natural gas, liquids, products
 - ✓ Imports: Oil
- Regulation and Planning
 - ✓ Infrastructure
 - ✓ Resources
 - ✓ Permitting
- Emissions
- Energy Security

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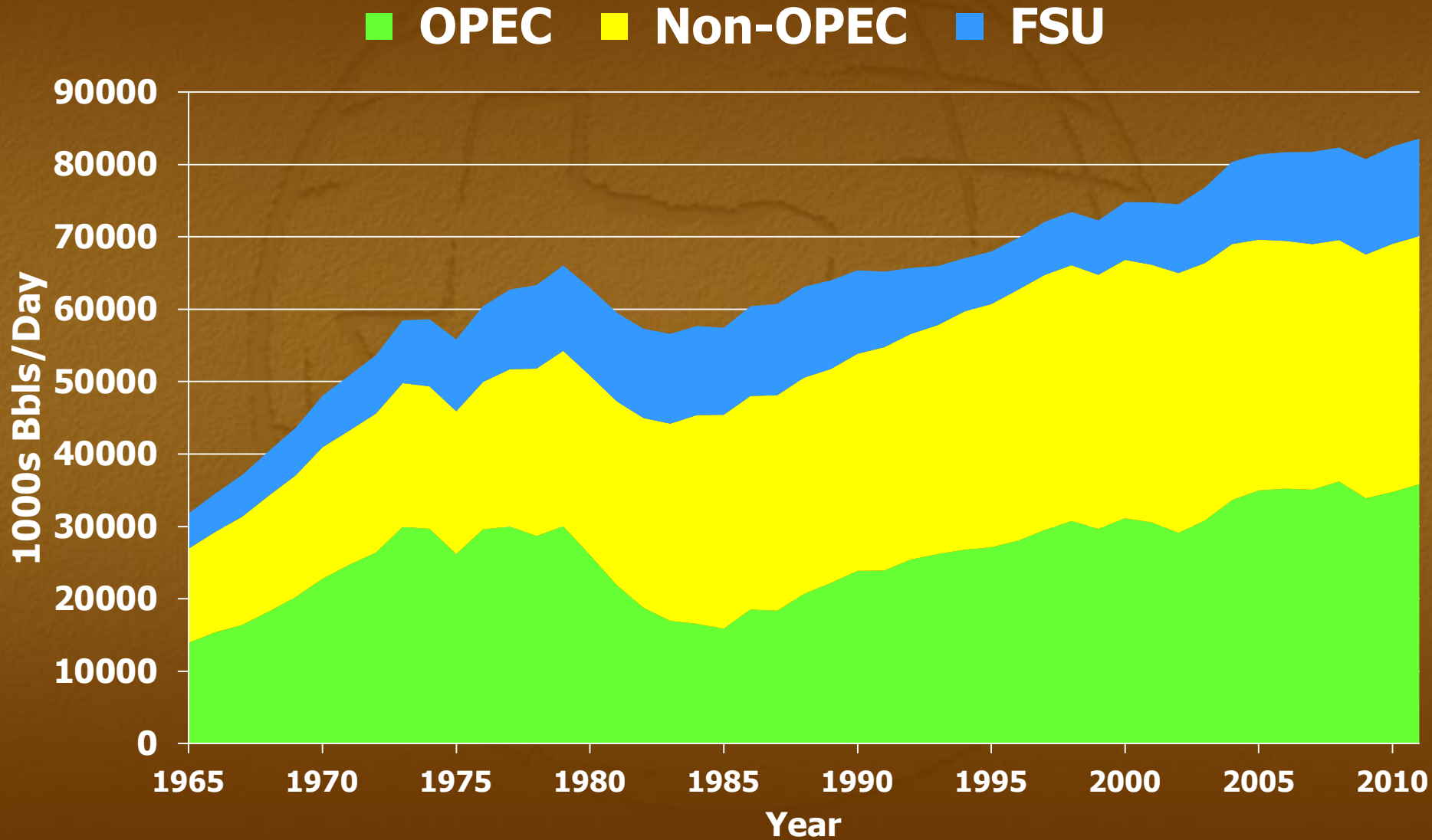
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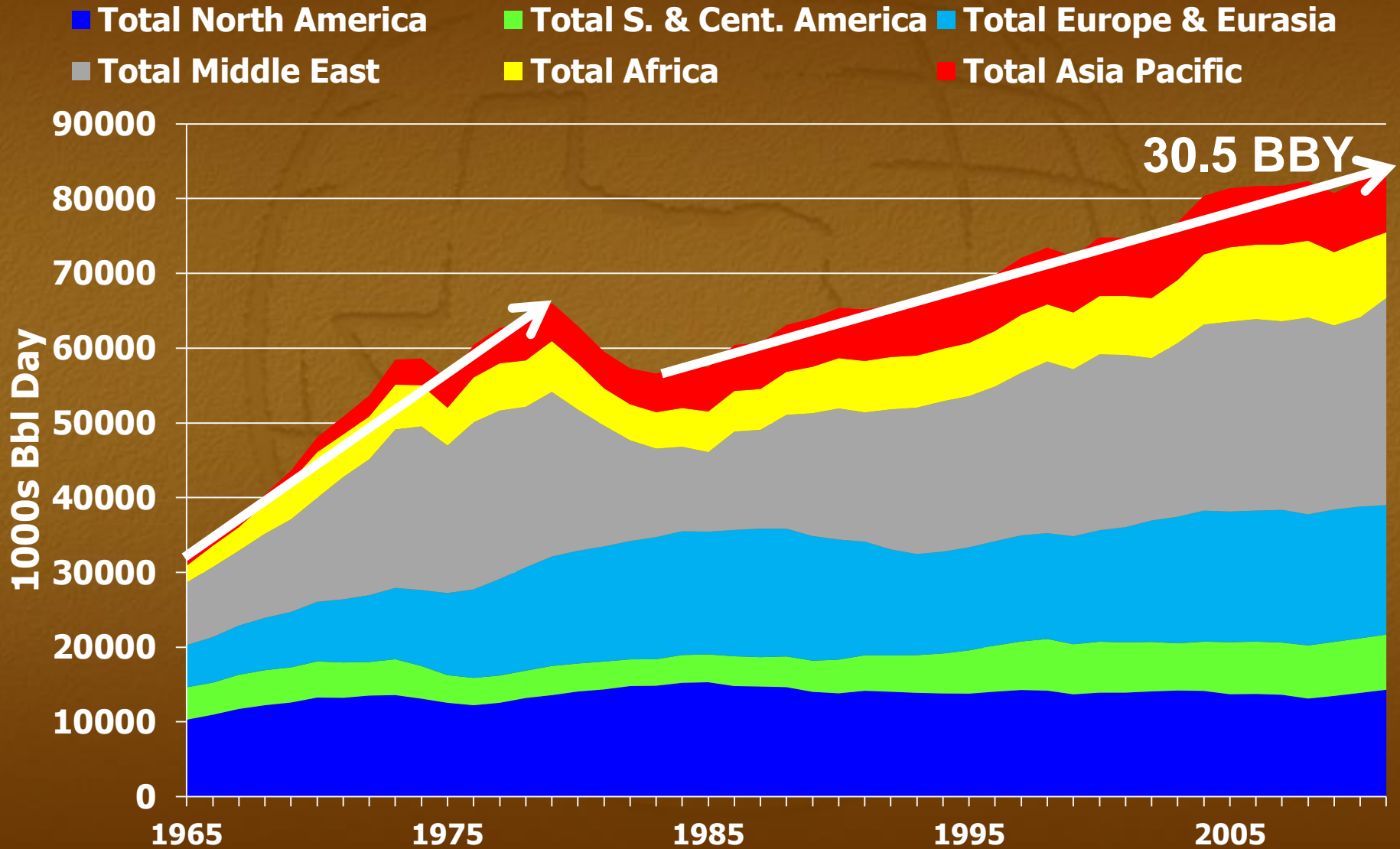
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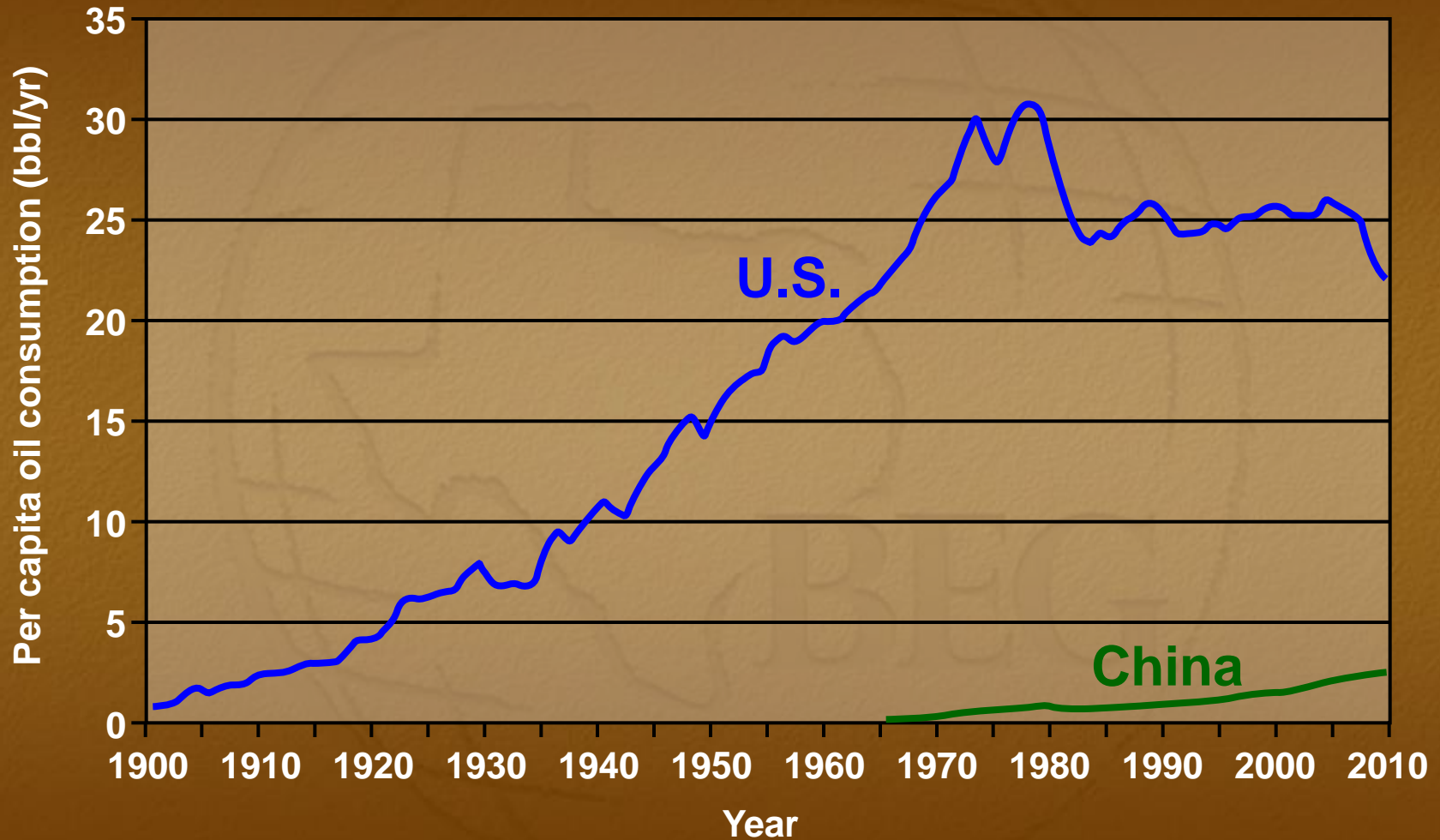
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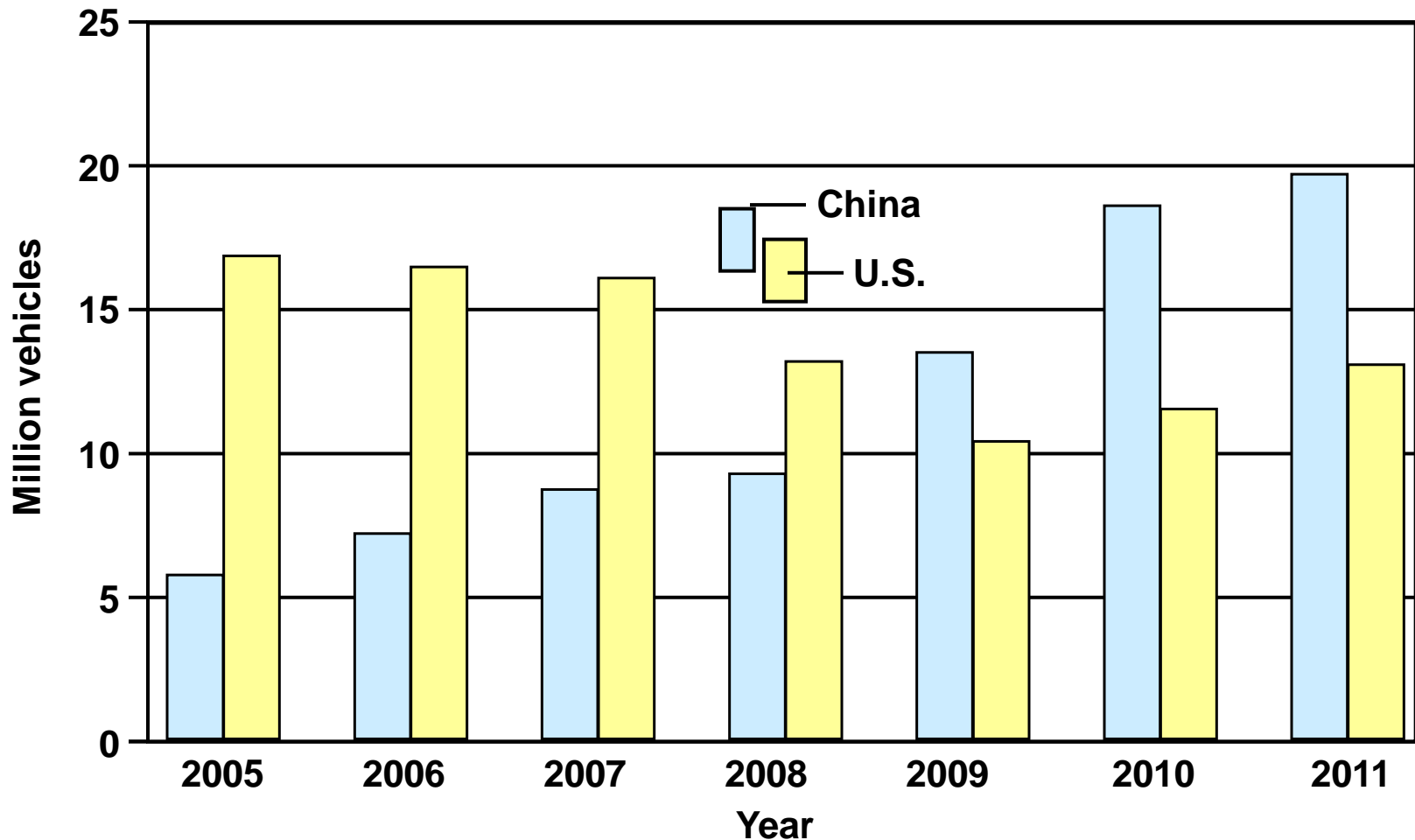
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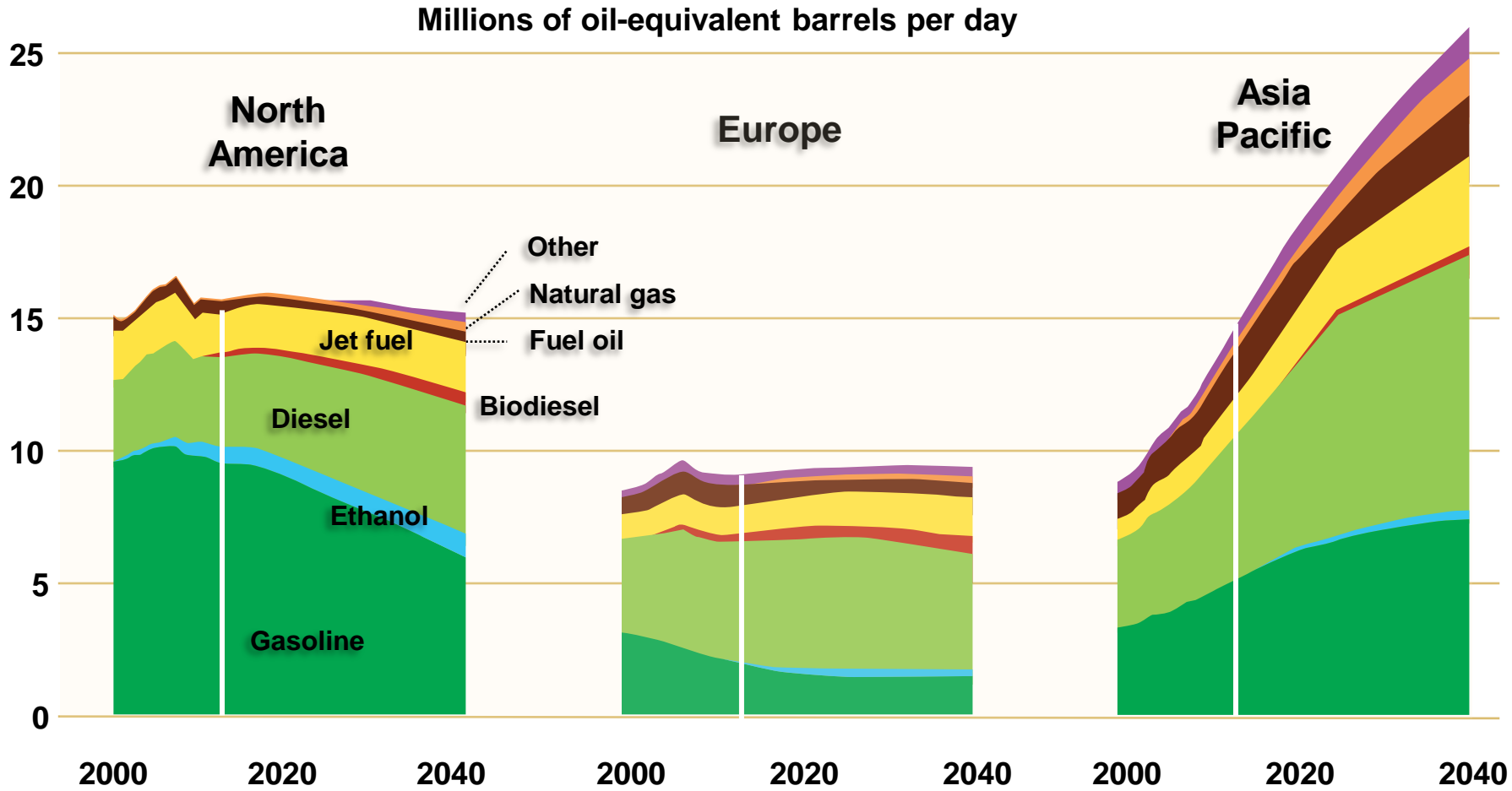
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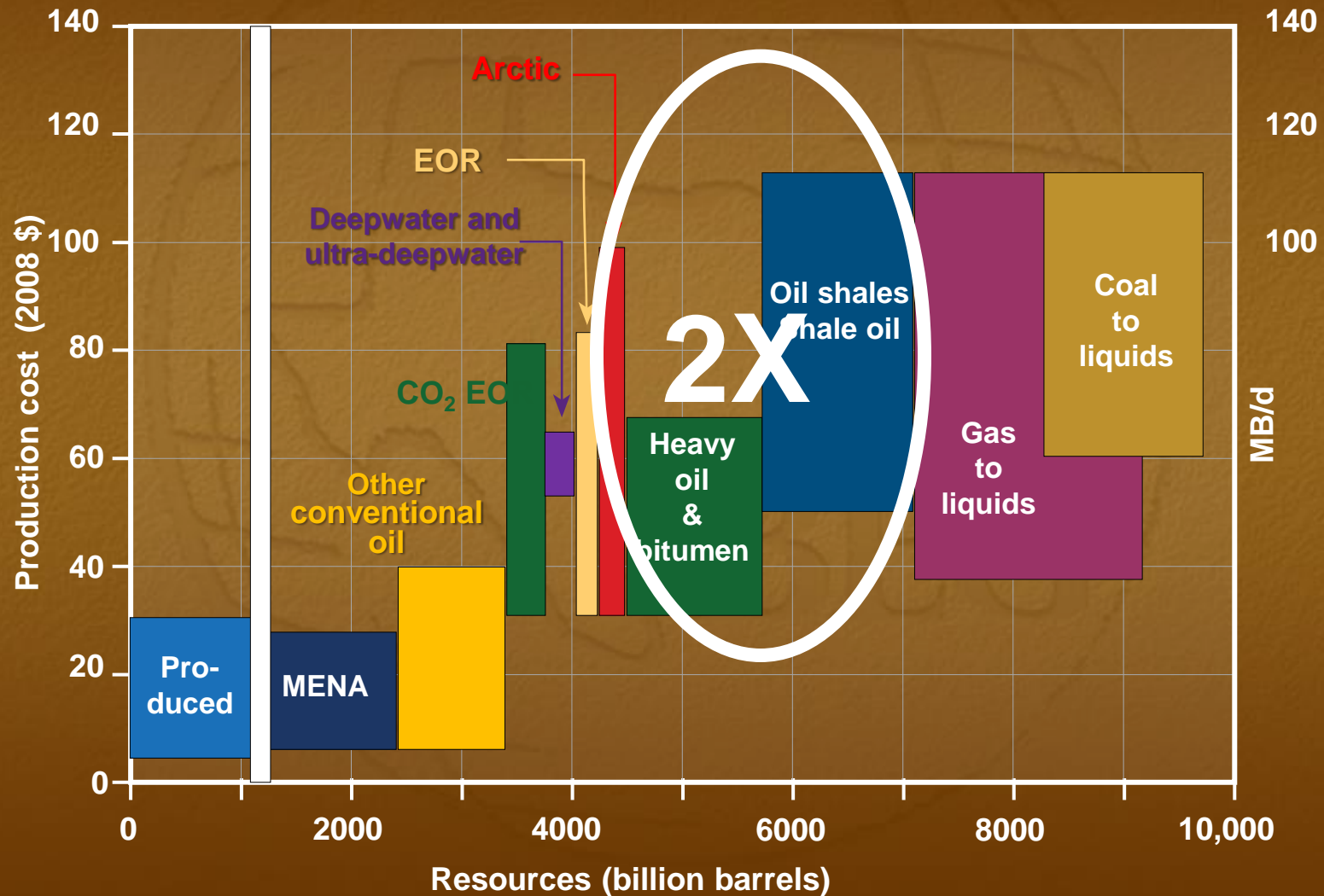


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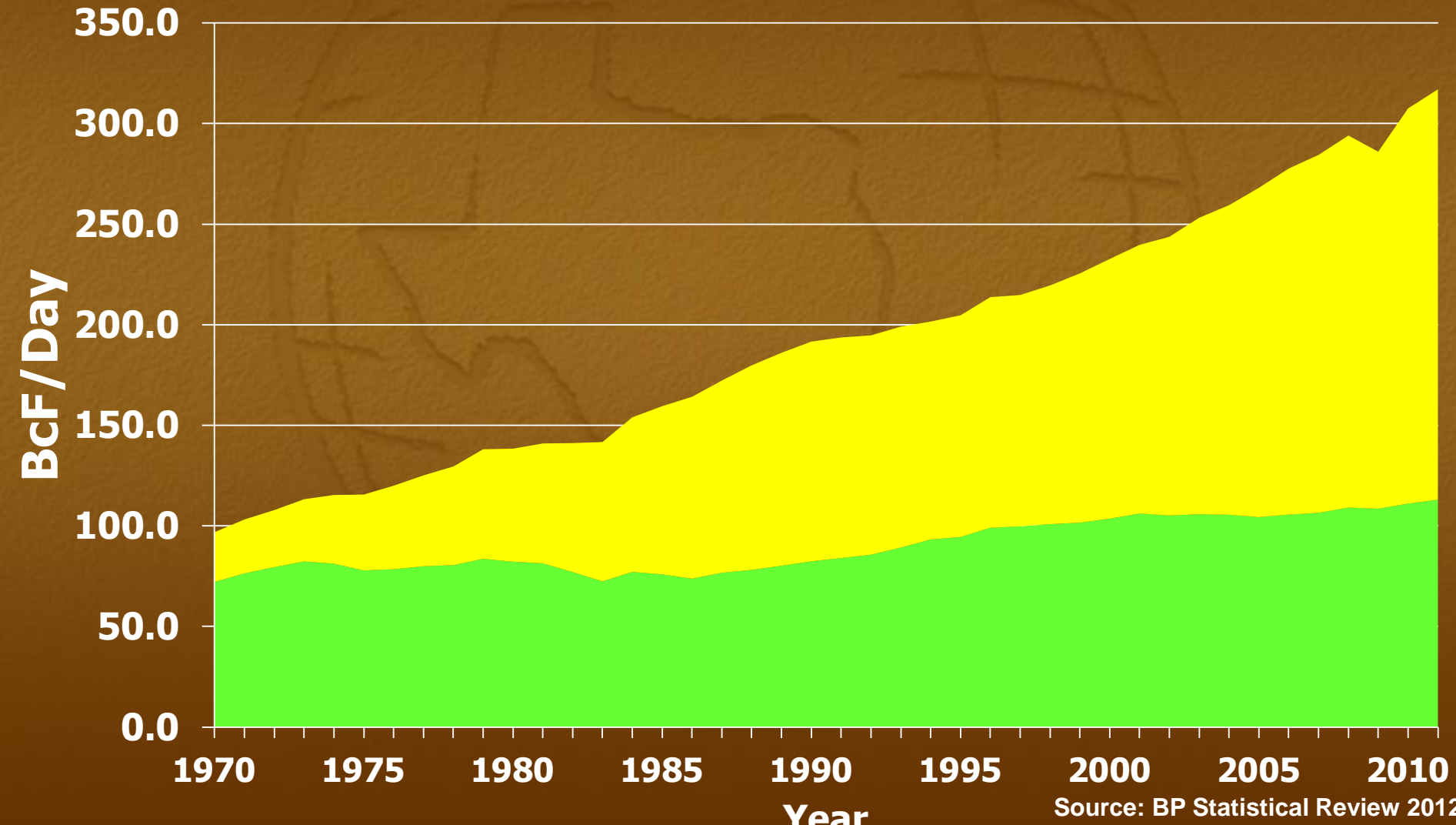


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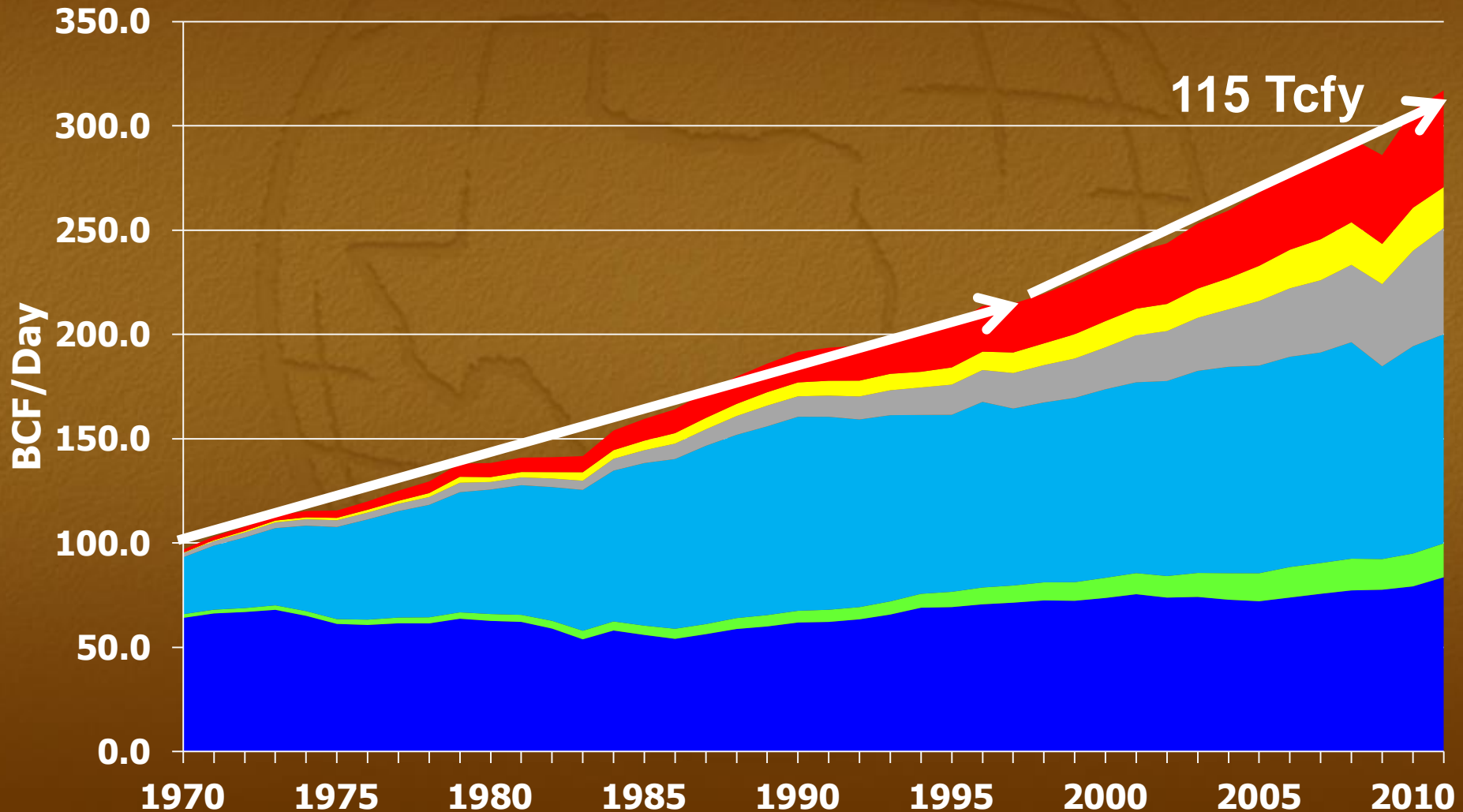
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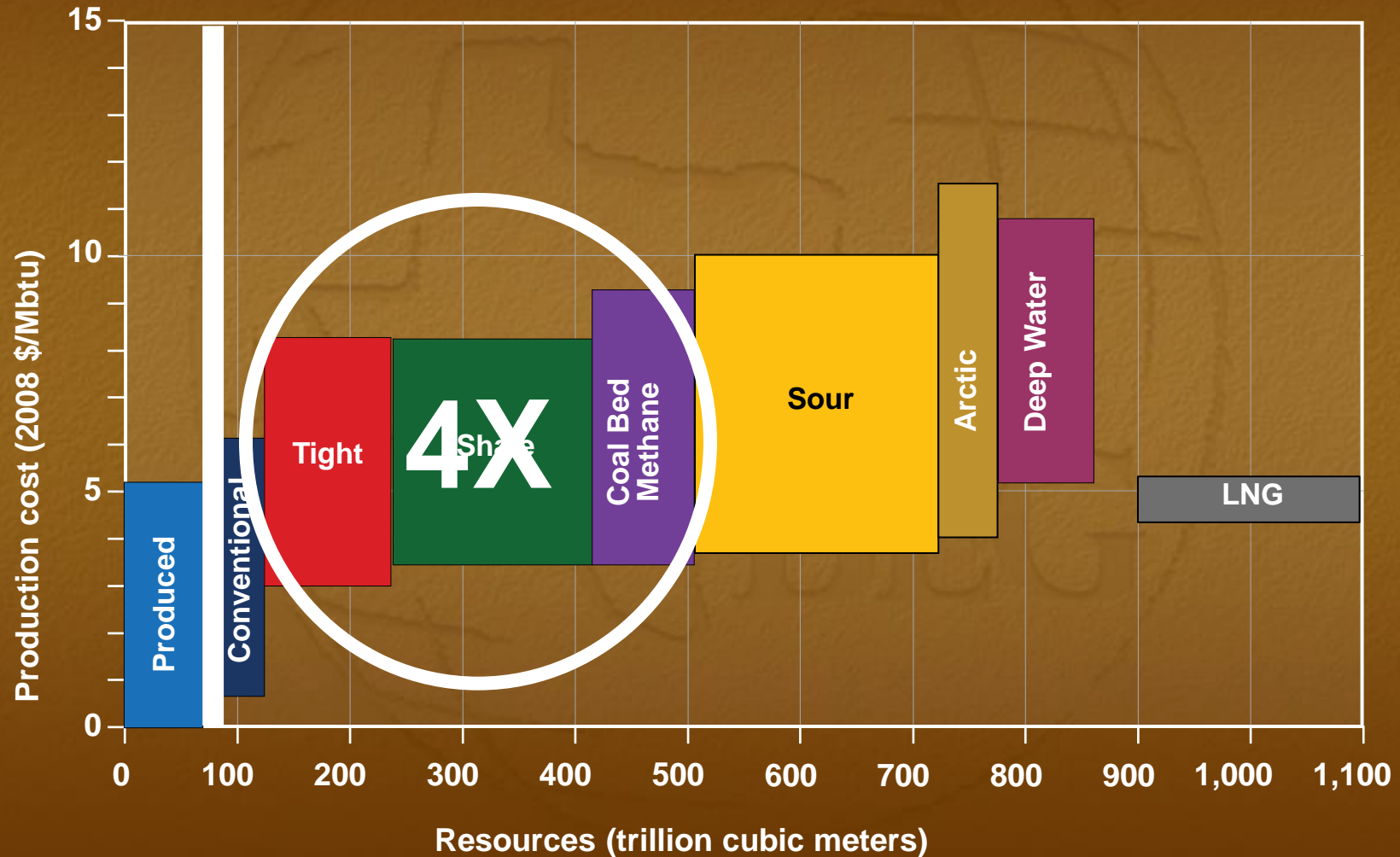
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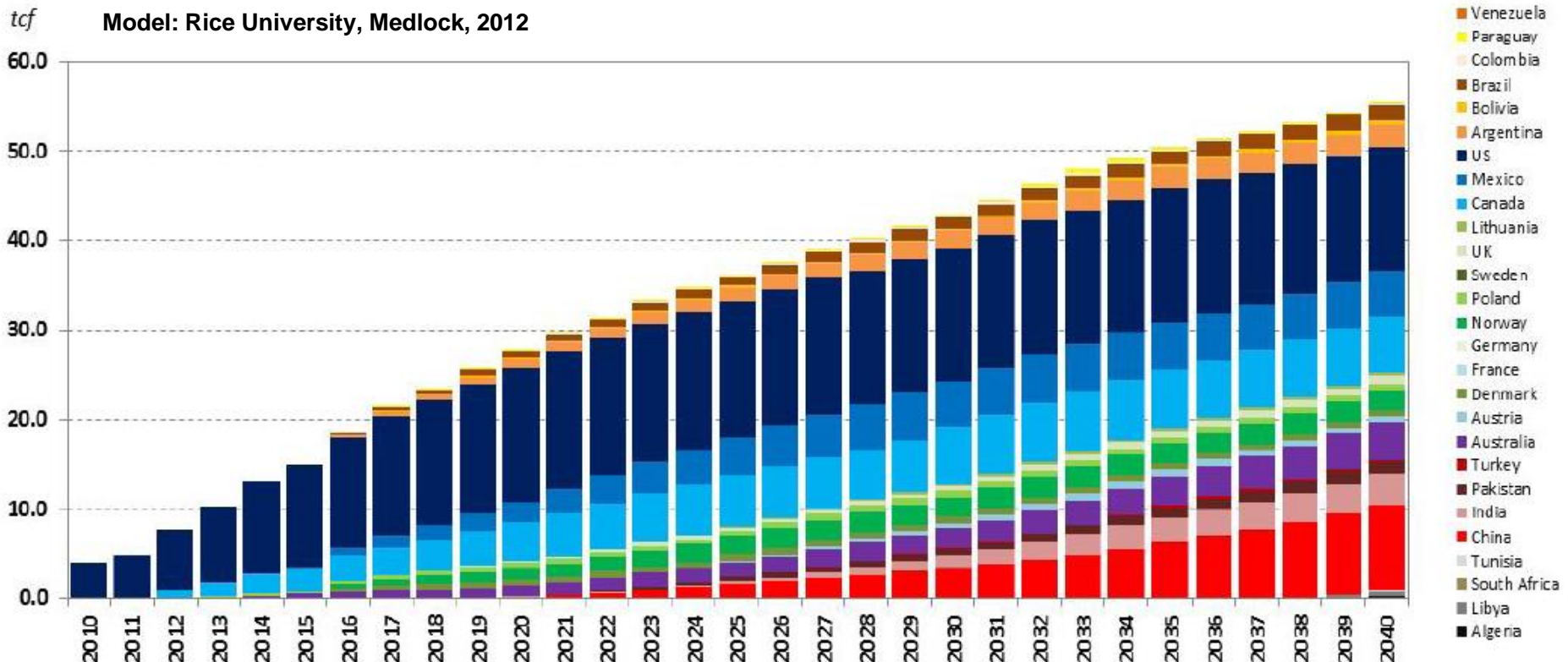


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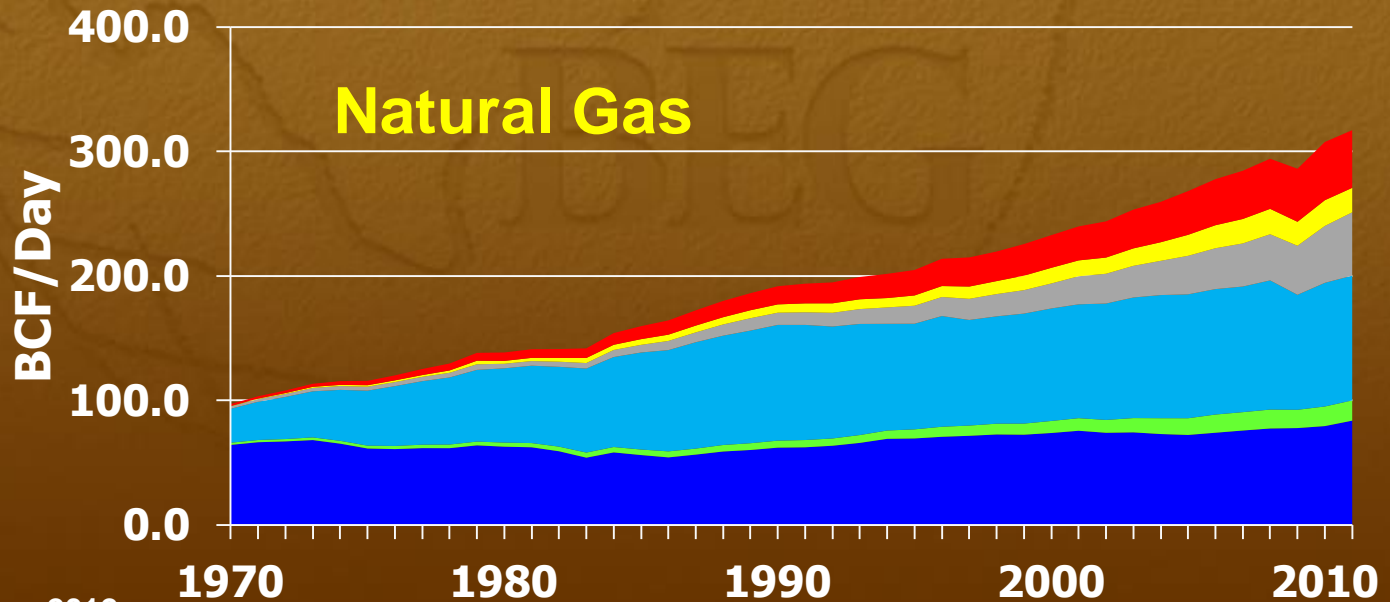
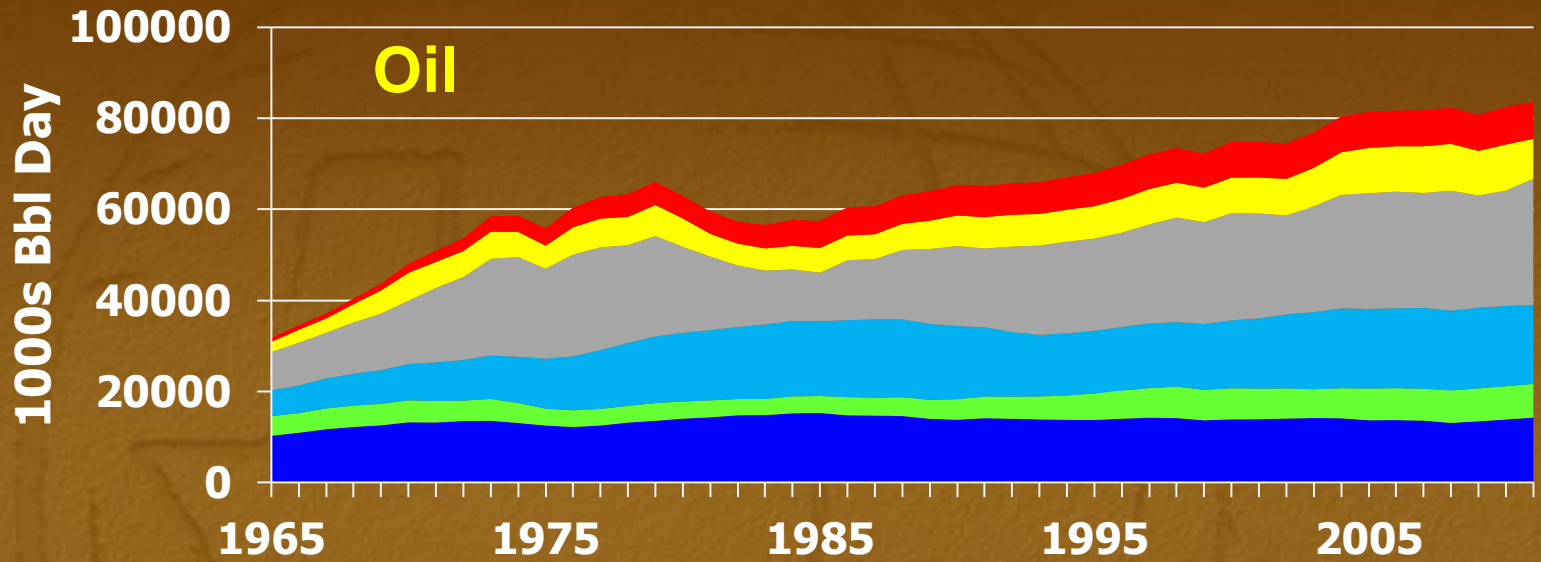
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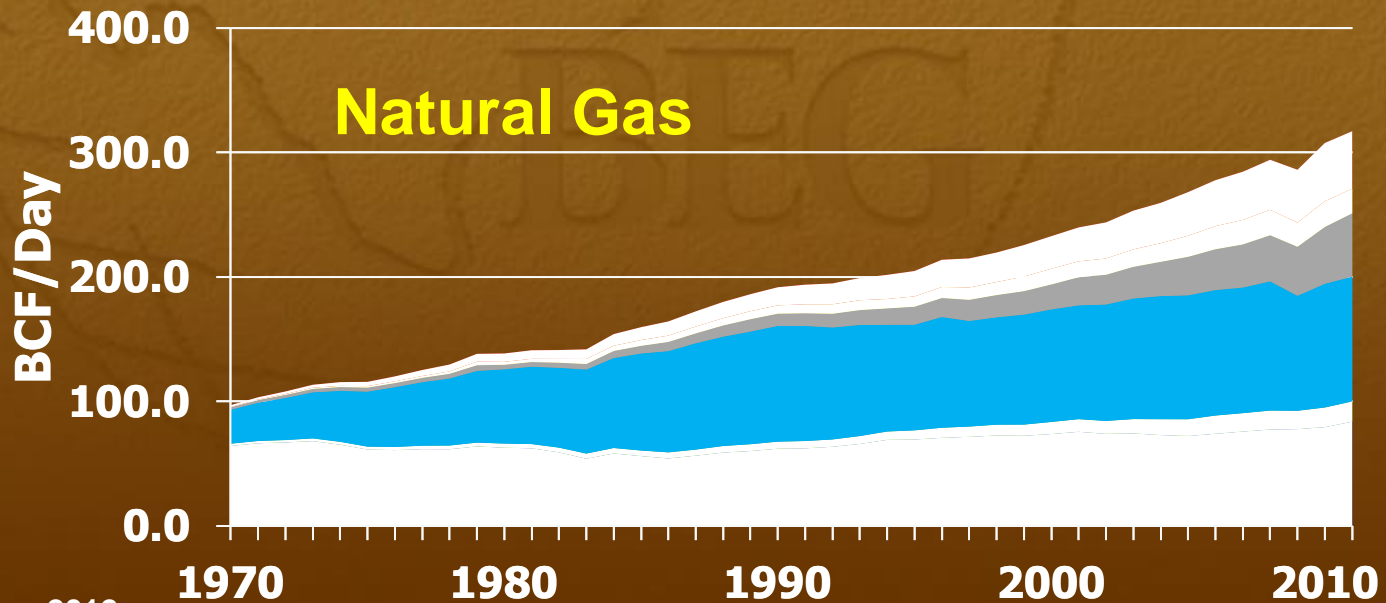
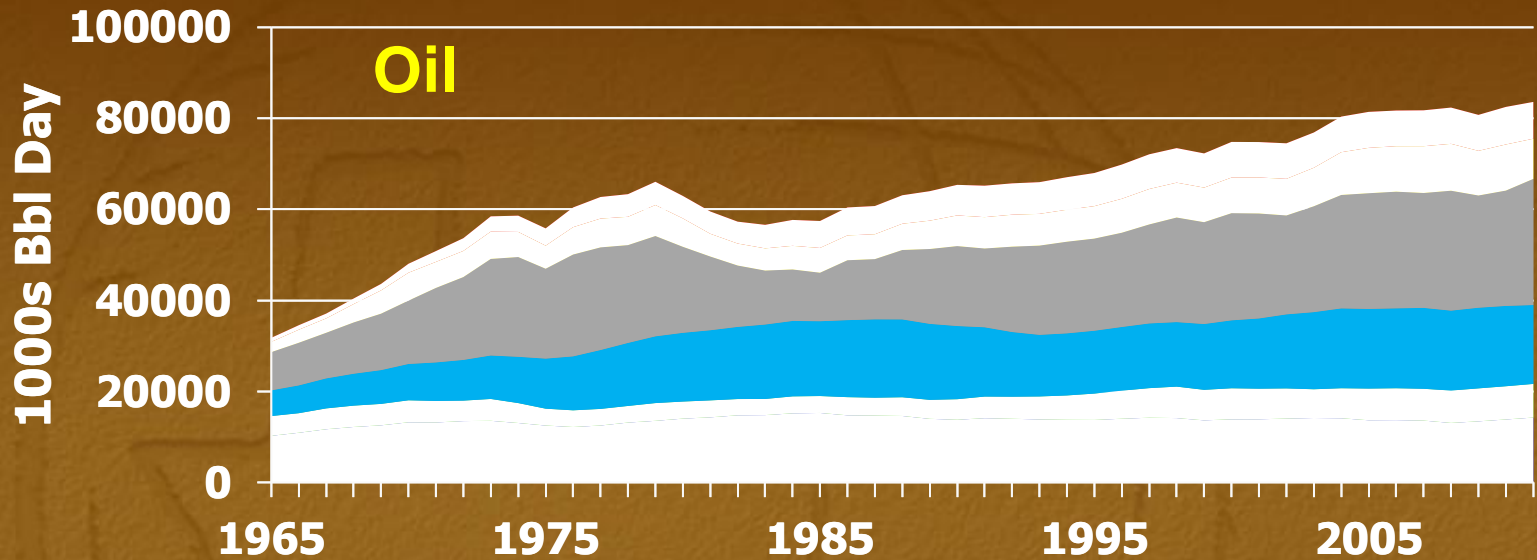
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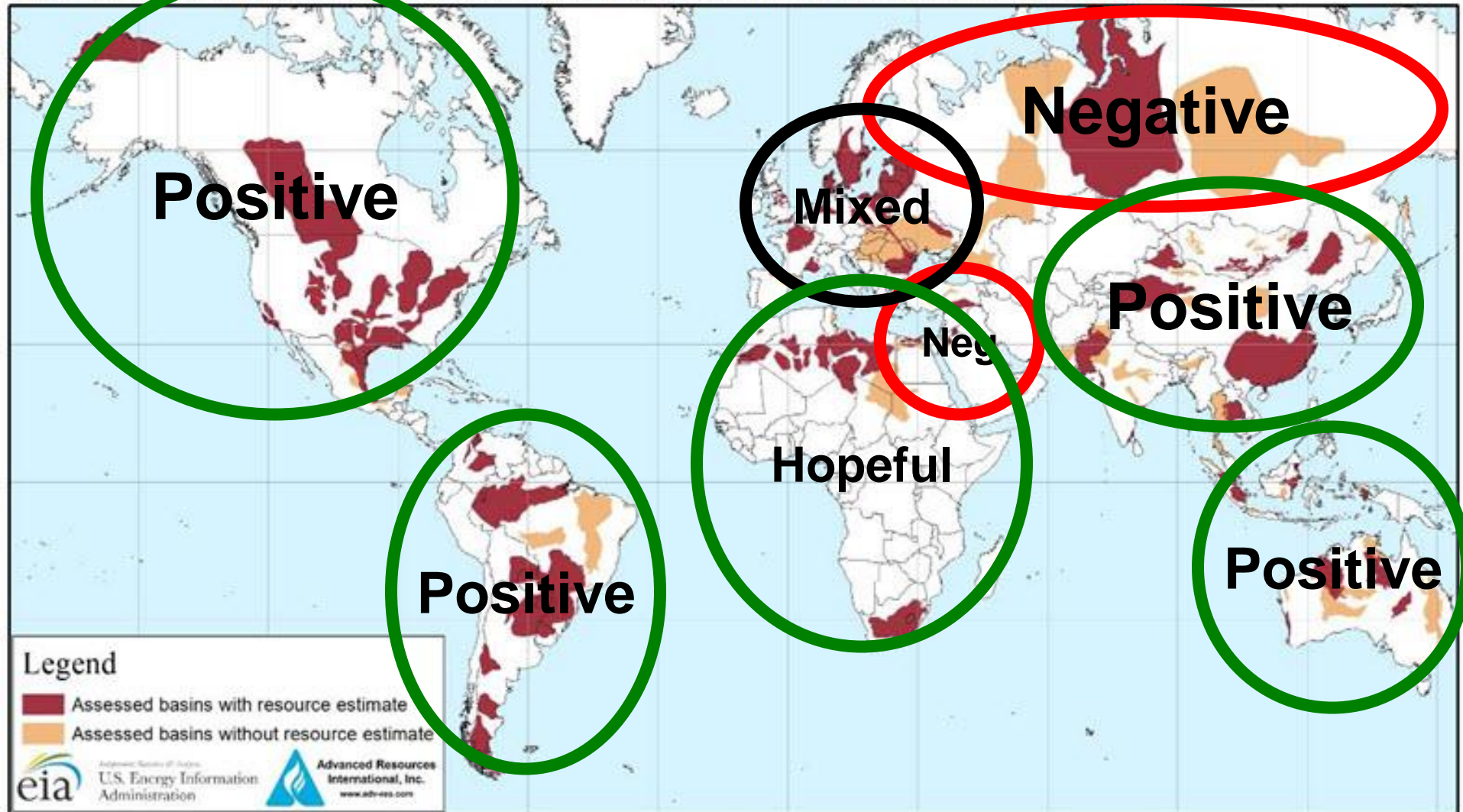


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Global Shale Oil and Gas Basins

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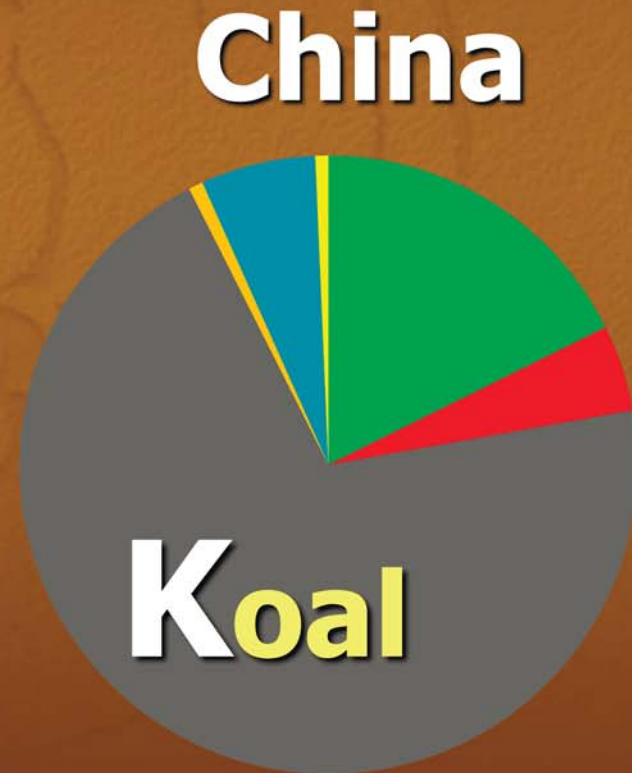
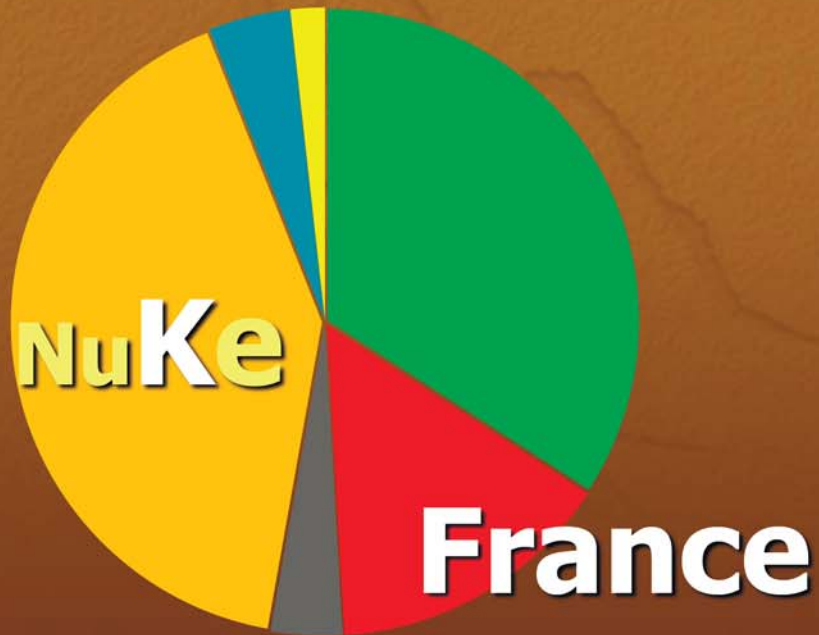
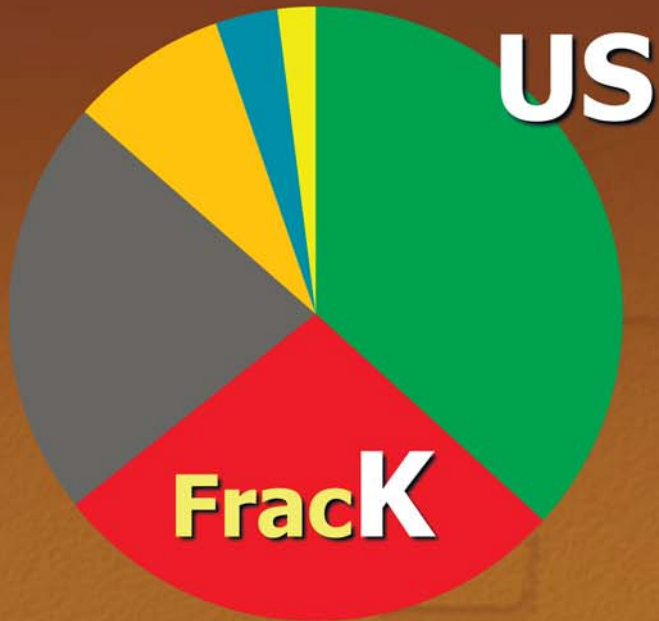
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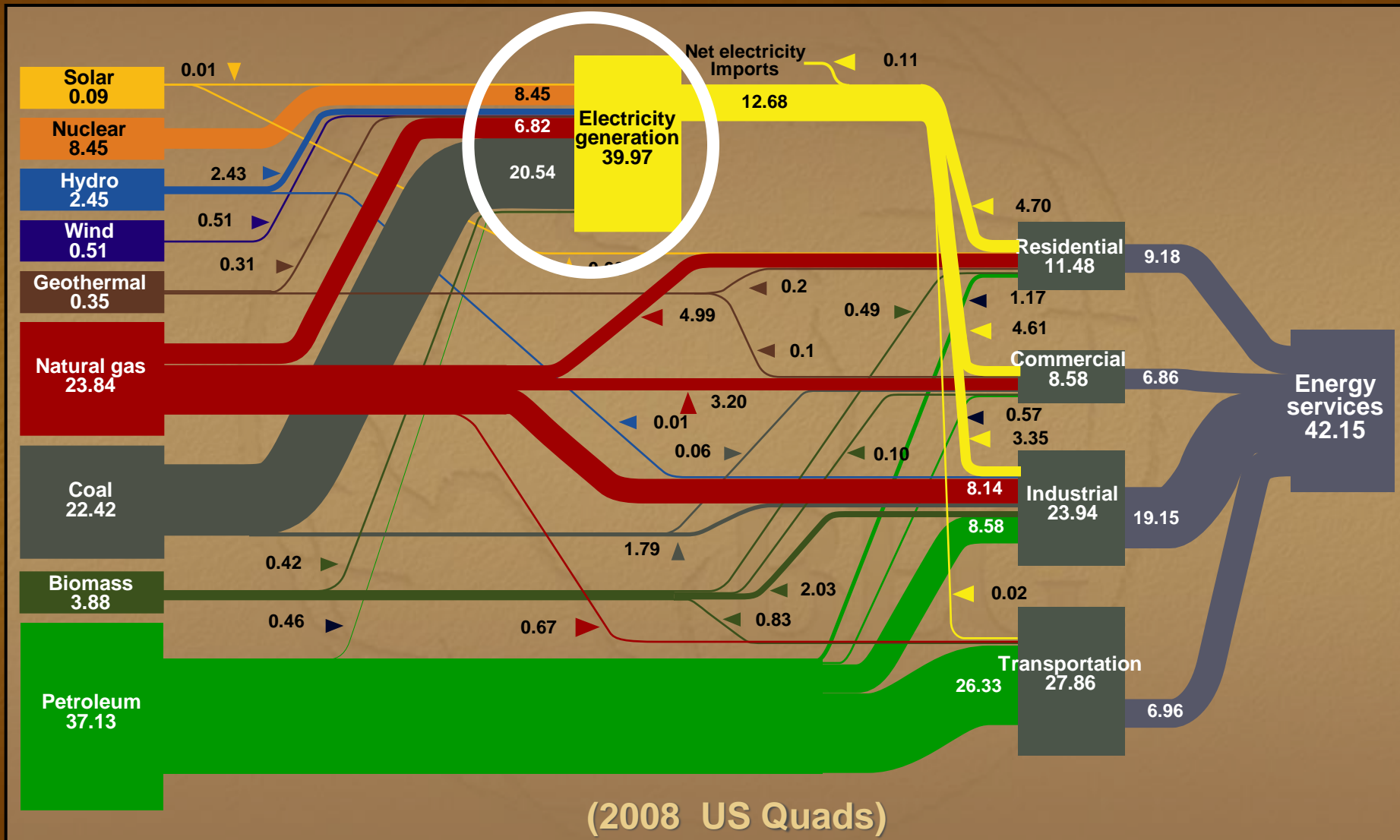
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- Natural gas
- Coal
- Nuclear energy
- Hydroelectricity
- Renewables



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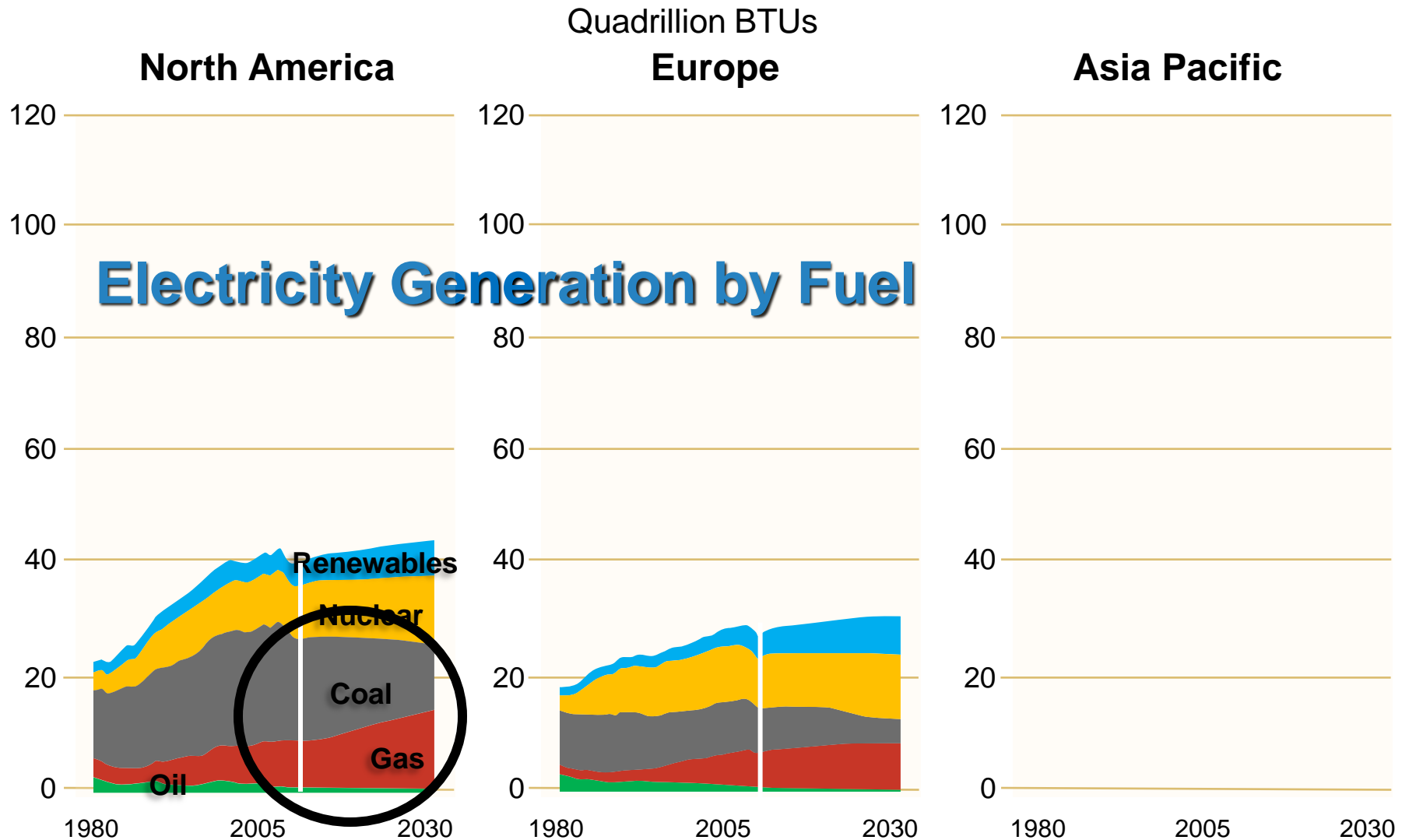
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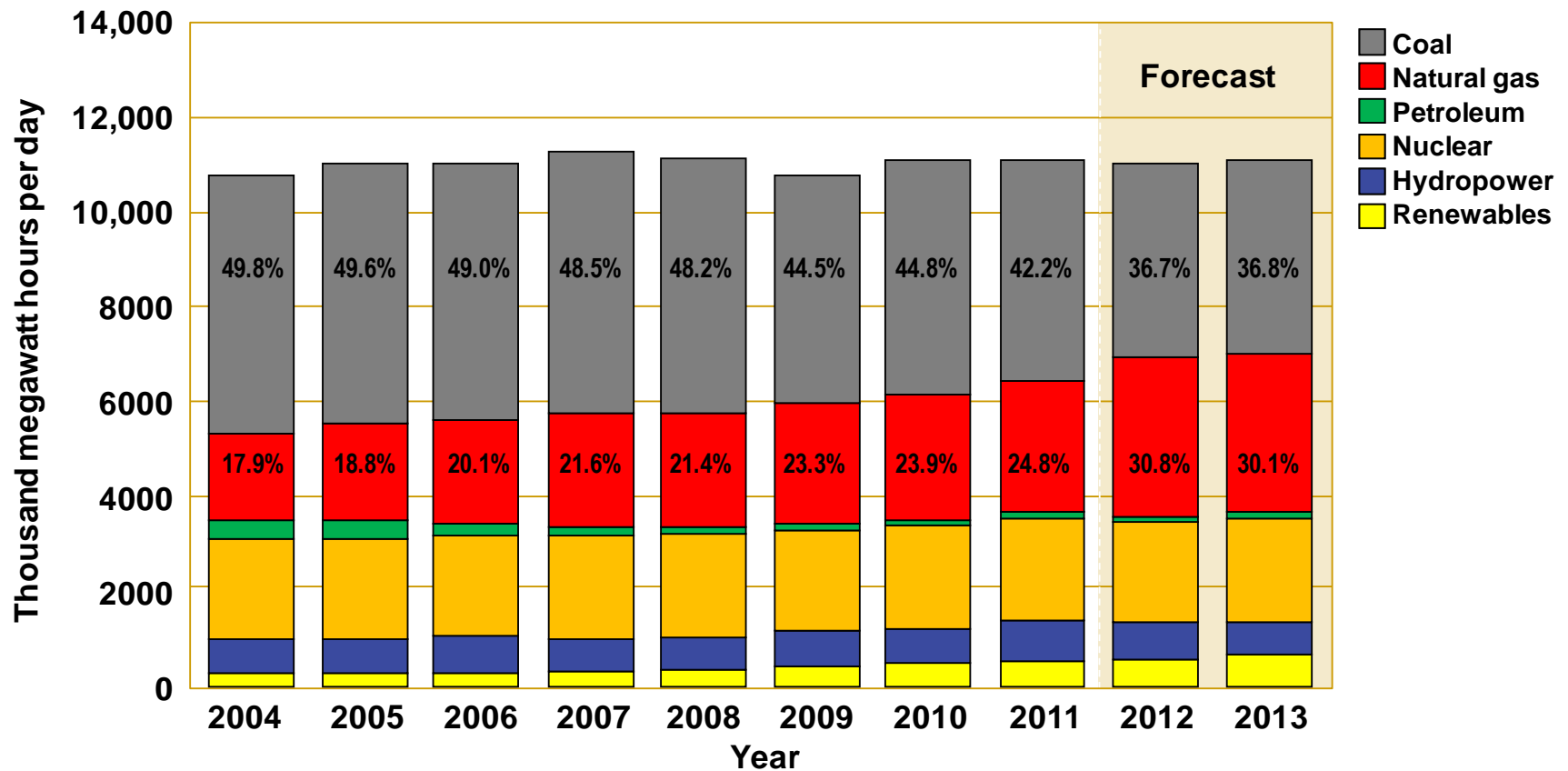
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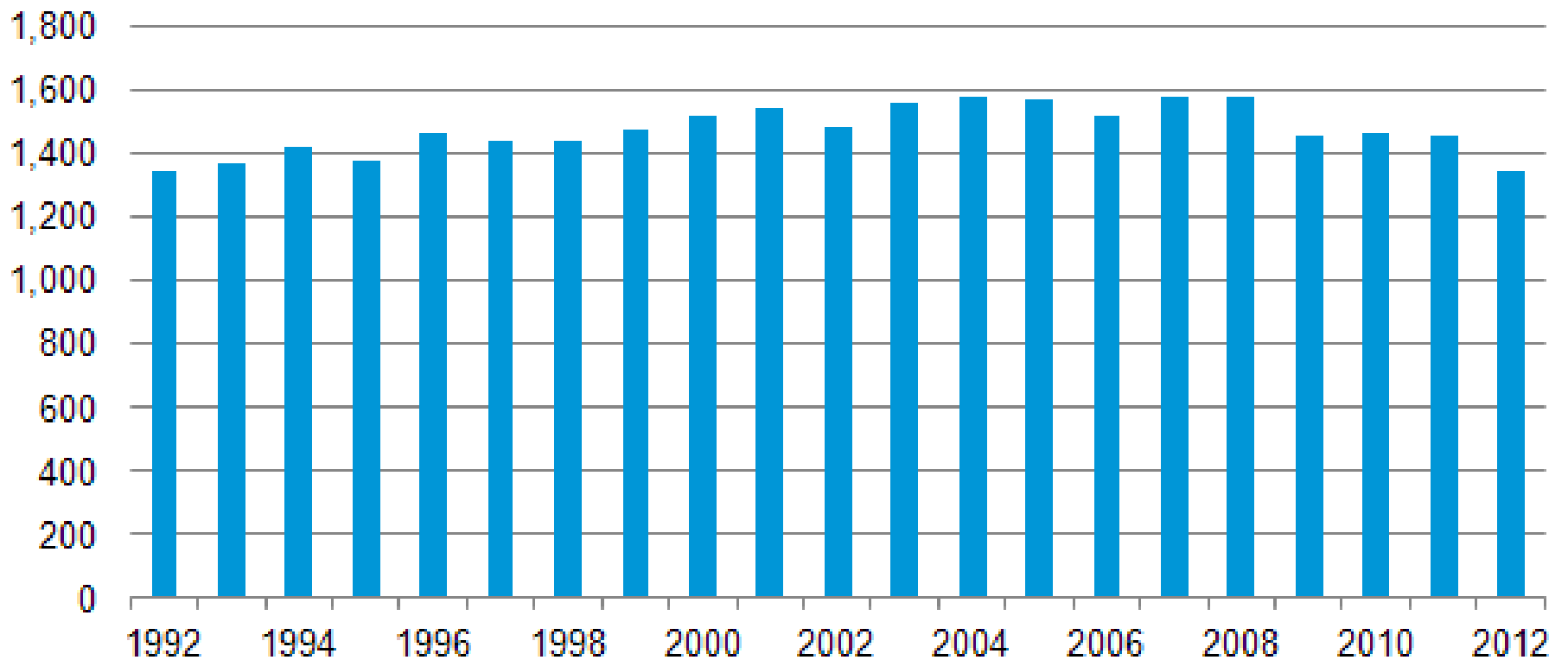
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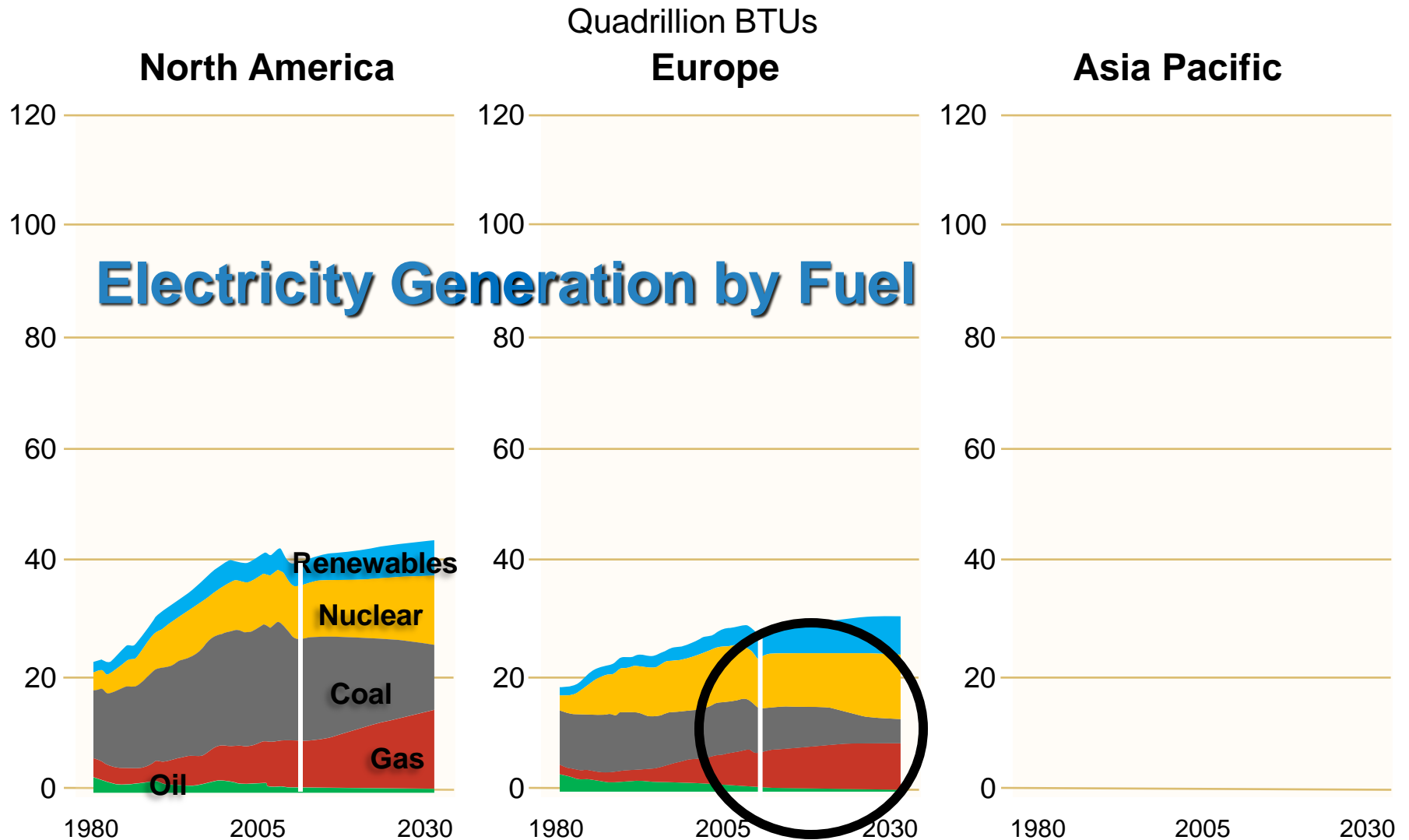
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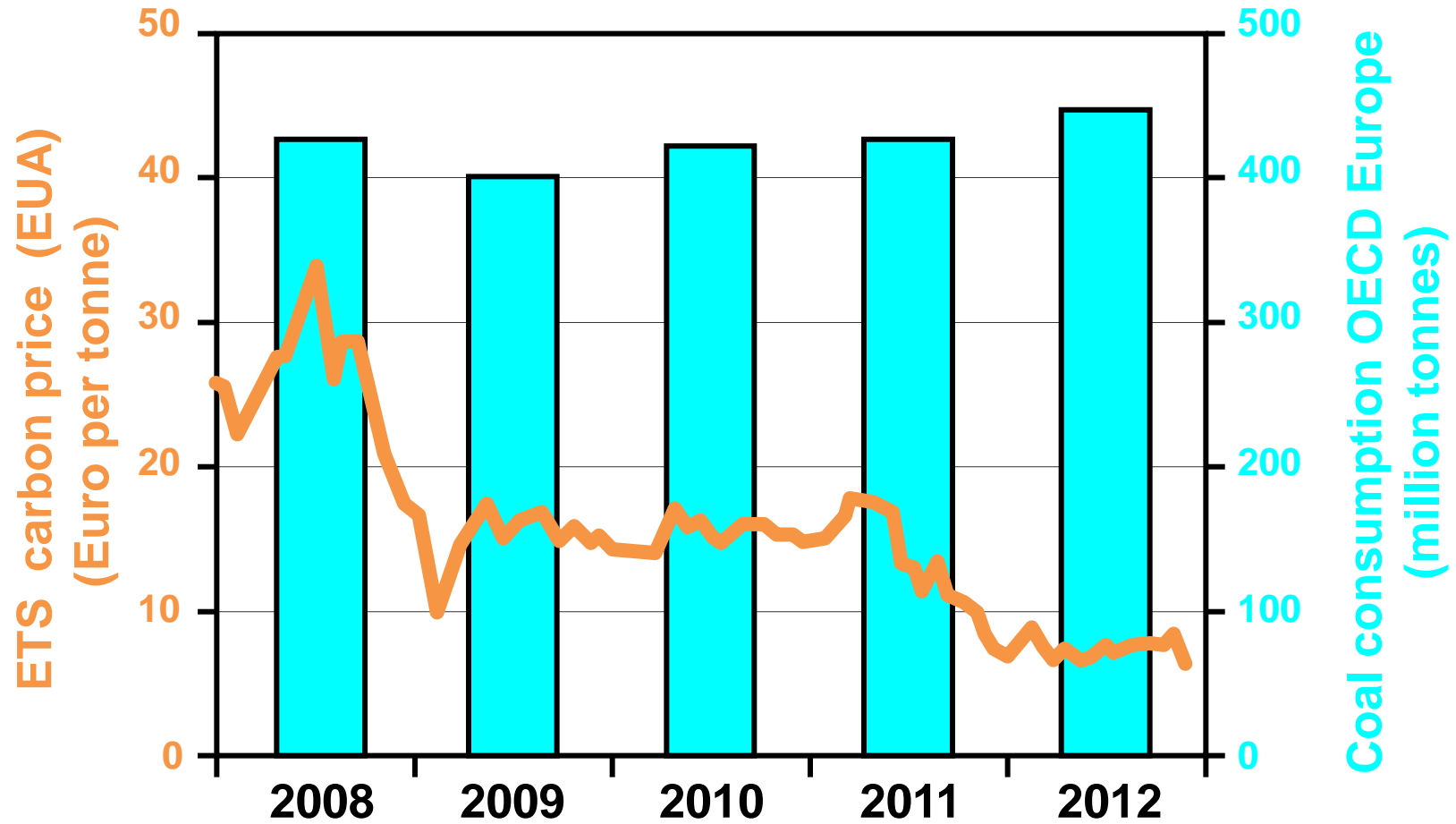


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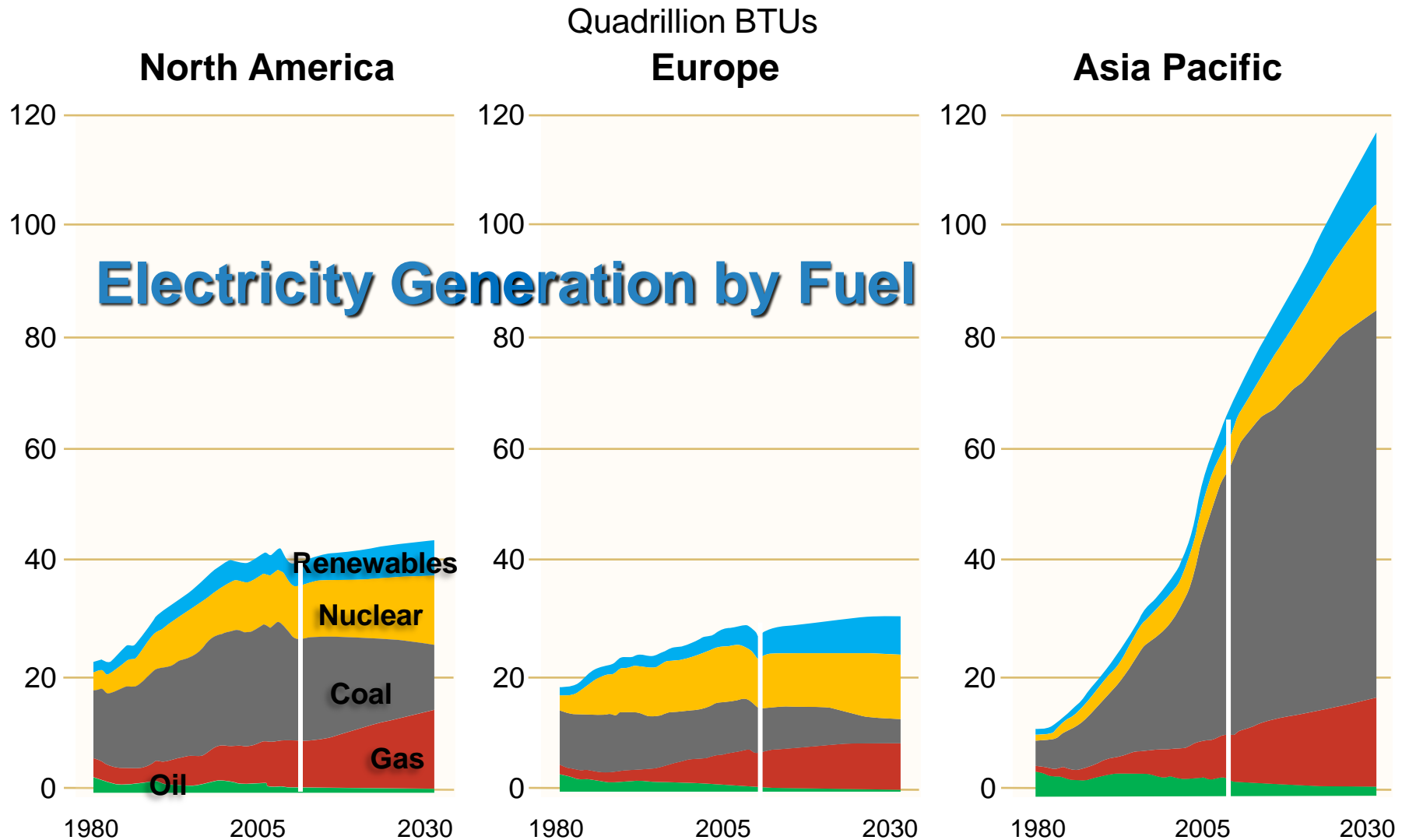


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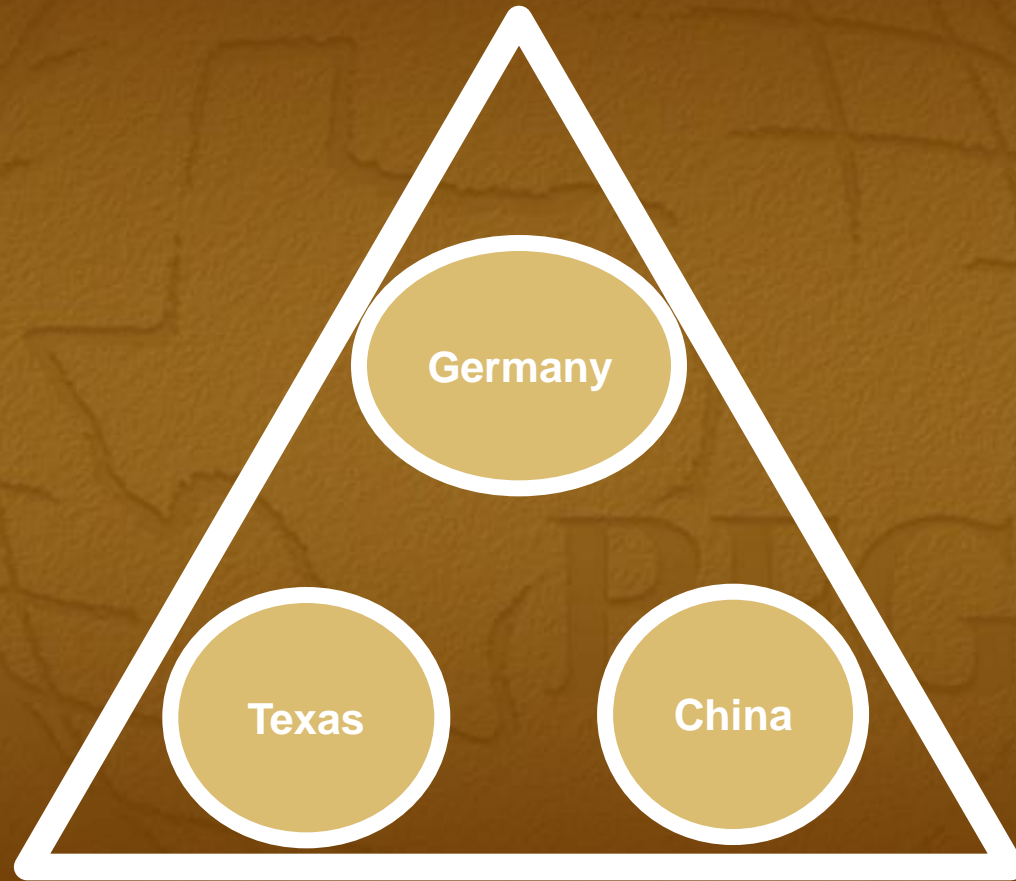
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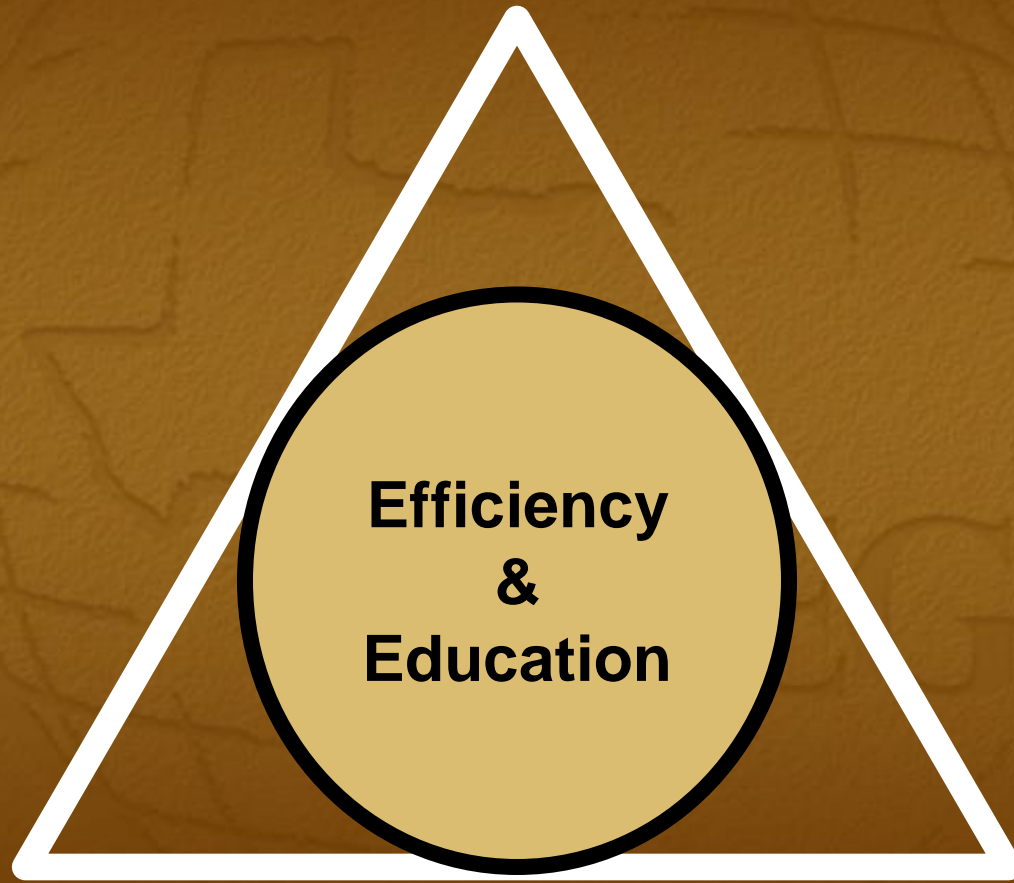


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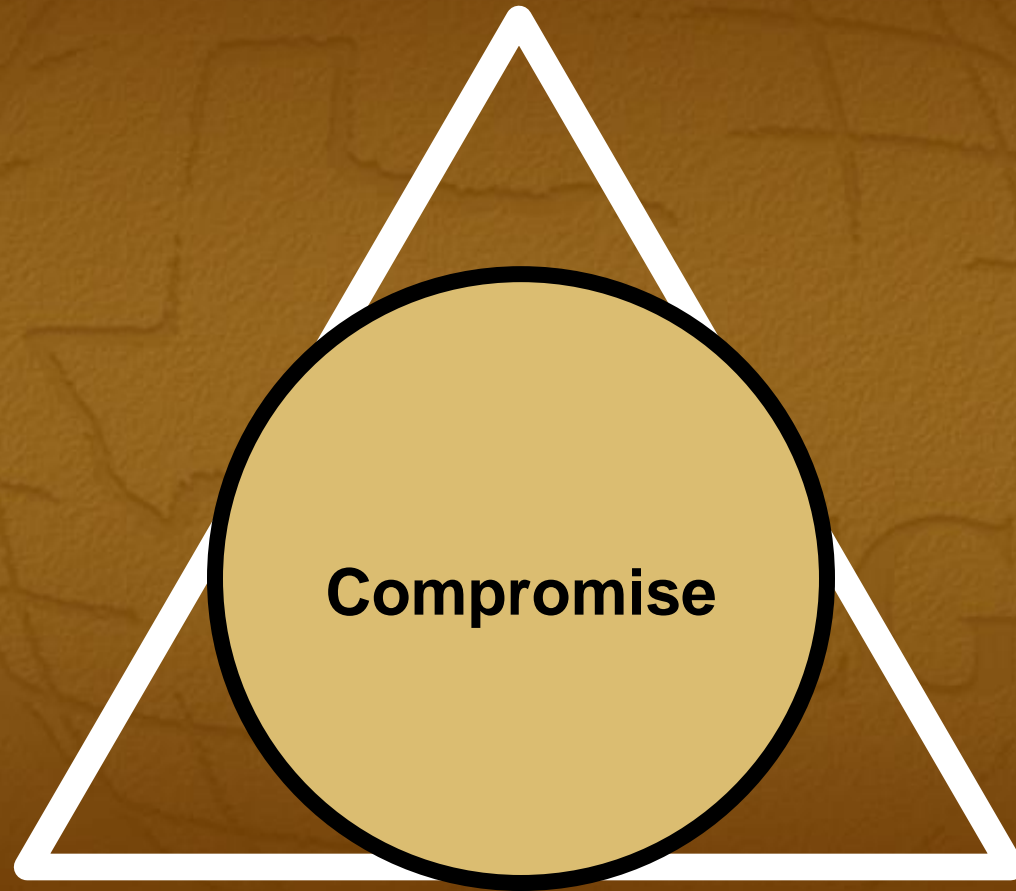


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Industry

Roles for the Independent

- **Evaluate low-cost, targeted operations in existing shale gas plays**
- **Consider shallow-water offshore lease acquisition opportunities**
- **Pioneer development of other organic-rich, tight rock plays (e.g. limestone)**
- **Develop international opportunities in lower-political risk countries**
- **Be the bridge between local, state and federal regulators and policy makers**

Larger Trends

- **The scale of energy demand is enormous**
- **Oil and gas are a part of the future energy mix and shale will play a growing role**
- **Above-ground challenges are real and rigorous operational practices are key**
- **Energy security—affordable, available, reliable, sustainable—will drive the future energy mix**